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Solicitation No.

3FNH-F6-020002-B, Refreshed #5

WORLDWIDE FEDERAL SUPPLY SCHEDULE CONTRACT FOR

FSC GROUP 71, PART II
HOUSEHOLD AND QUARTERS
FURNITURE

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552.219-71 NOTICE TO OFFERORS OF SUBCONTRACTING PLAN REQUIREMENTS (SEP 1999)

The General Services Administration (GSA) is committed to assuring that maximum practicable opportunity is provided to small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, and women-owned small business concerns to participate in the performance of this contract consistent with its efficient performance. GSA expects any subcontracting plan submitted pursuant to FAR 52.219—9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan, to reflect this commitment. Consequently, an offeror, other than a small business concern, before being awarded a contract exceeding \$500,000 (\$1,000,000 for construction), must demonstrate that its subcontracting plan represents a creative and innovative program for involving small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, and women-owned small business concerns as subcontractors in the performance of this contract.

552.232-78 PAYMENT INFORMATION (JUL 2000)

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CP-FSS-2 SIGNIFICANT CHANGES (OCT 1988)

The attention of offeror is invited to the following changes made since the issuance of the last solicitation for the supplies/services covered herein: No changes except updating of clauses.

CP-FSS-3 NOTICE: REQUESTS FOR EXPLANATION OR INFORMATION (MAR 1996)

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CP-FSS-4-A SOLICITATION COPIES (MAR 1996)

(a) To reduce Government costs, only one copy (either paper copy or diskette) of this solicitation is provided to addressees on our bidders' mailing list. If additional paper copies are required (see 52.212-1, Instructions to Offerors—Commercial Items and its addendum for number of copies to be submitted), you may reproduce them yourself, provided they are complete in every respect, or you may obtain them from the address specified in clause CP-FSS-3 above.

(b) Offerors are strongly urged to use two-sided copying of offers for submission to GSA.

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CP-FSS-6 ELECTRONIC DATA INTERCHANGE (EDI) ORDERING (JAN 1994)

Offerors are advised that the Federal Supply Service is expanding use of electronic communications to exchange business documents. The Placement of Orders clause contained in this contract provides that orders may be placed using Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) procedures.

CP-FSS-19 PRICING (DEC 1998)

Offerors are advised that separate pricing may be submitted for different countries if separate pricing is consistent with the offeror's commercial sales practice.

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CP-FSS-30 (APR 1993)

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27b. CONTRAC	CT/PURCHASE ORDER INC	ORPORATES BY REFER	ENCE FAI	R 52.212-4. FAR 5	2.212-5 IS AT	FACHED.		Addenda _	ARE AR	E NOT ATTACHED.
28. CONTRACTOR IS REQUIRED TO SIGN THIS DOCUMENT AND RETURN COPIES TO ISSUING OFFICE. CONTRACT: REFERENCE OFFER DATED . YOUR OFFICE. CONTRACTOR AGREES TO FURNISH AND DELIVER ALL ITEMS SET FORTH OR OTHERWISE IDENTIFIED ABOVE AND ON ANY ADDITIONAL SHEETS SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SPECIFIED HEREIN. 29. AWARD OF CONTRACT: REFERENCE OFFER DATED . YOUR OFFER ON SOLICITATION (BLOCK 5), INCLUDING ANY ADDITIONS OR CHANGES WHICH ARE SET FORTH HEREIN, IS ACCEPTED AS TO ITEMS:										
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Note (from page 1): Standard Industry Classification (SIC) codes have been replaced by North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) codes. The NAICS codes for this solicitation are 337121 Upholstered Household Furniture Manufacturing, 337122 Nonupholstered Wood Household Furniture Manufacturing, 337124 Metal Household Furniture Manufacturing, 337125 Household Furniture (except Wood and Metal) Manufacturing, 442110 Furniture Stores, 442210 Floor Covering Stores, 442291 Window Treatment Stores, 442299 All Other Home Furnishings Stores, and 453210 Retail Furniture Store. The small business size standard remains 500.

B-FSS-96 ESTIMATED SALES (NOV 1977)

The "Estimated Sales" column of the Schedule of Items shows (1) a twelve-month reading of purchases in dollars or purchases in units as reported by the previous Contractor(s) or (2) estimates of the anticipated dollar volume where the item is new. The absence of a figure indicates that neither reports of previous purchases nor estimates of sales are available.

SINS FOR HOUSEHOLD AND QUARTERS FURNITURE SCHEDULE

The following Special Item Numbers (SIN's) describe the requirements for the household and quarters furniture covered by this schedule. Accessories included within the SIN's may only be offered in conjunction with the basic furniture items described. Services may only be offered in conjunction with an offer for the furniture requiring the service. Instructions on how to find the referenced technical documents are found immediately after the item listing.

<u>Small Business Set-Asides</u>. An asterisk (*) after the Special Item Number indicates that it is set-aside exclusively for small businesses with fewer than 500 employees. Both the contractor and the manufacturer must meet this standard.

Safety requirements.

- (a) All electrical components, including installation methods and instructions, shall comply with the applicable Underwriters Laboratories (UL) standards and UL Dorm Room Safety 101 guidelines available online at www.ul.com.
- (b) All unframed glass doors and table top inserts shall use tempered glass.
- (c) The upper component of two-piece stacking units shall be furnished with suitable attachment hardware for properly securing it to the base component. Illustrated instructions for attachment shall also be furnished.
- (d) To prevent a tipping hazard, the following tall items shall be furnished with suitable wall attachment hardware and illustrated attachment instructions: (1) All single units or combined stacked units over 1829 mm (72") high and less than 381 mm (15") deep at the floor; (2) All single units or combined stacked units over 1930 mm (76") high and less than 457 mm (18") deep at the floor; and (3) All single units or combined stacked units over 2134 mm (84") high with any depth dimension. For stacking units, the wall attachment kit shall be provided with the upper section only. The wall attachment method need not be tailored for each specific furniture item, however, it must: 1) prevent the unit from tipping; 2) be of a flexible design that permits placement of the furniture at varying distances from the wall, to account for differences in baseboard design, etc.; 3) include anchor hardware for drywall construction, as a minimum, and state in the attachment instructions, the specific hardware needed for cinderblock/concrete walls and for use directly into wall studs; and 4) include a clearly legible "hang tag" attached to each unit and containing the following language:

CAUTION TO PREVENT POSSIBLE TIPPING, THIS UNIT MUST BE FASTENED TO THE WALL ACCORDING TO THE MANUFACTURER'S INSTRUCTIONS

Offers of Items with Environmental Attributes. Federal agencies are required to consider the procurement of products containing post-consumer recycled content by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), Section 6002, and Executive Order (EO) 13101, Greening the Government through Waste Prevention, Recycling, and Federal Acquisition. EO 13101 also requires Federal agencies to consider the procurement of 'environmentally preferable' and biobased products (see the GSA/FSS environmental web site at www.gsa.gov/environ for a glossary of these terms; click on "Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines" to access EO 13101). Consequently, GSA encourages submission of products with environmental attributes (certified woods, recycled content, energy efficient, etc.) so that we can facilitate agency procurements of these products. If you are offering environmentally oriented products, please highlight them as such in your offer, providing detailed descriptions of the environmental attributes. If it is determined that submitted products are appropriate, they will be included on the National Furniture Center's "What's Green" web page at www.gsa.gov/furniture and the GSA Environmental Products and Services Guide at the above web site. Any testing to determine environmental attributes or certifications, shall meet the same age and retest timeframes and product requirements as applicable, as required for performance testing in the Technical Requirements Section.

Estimated					
Sales (Average Annual As Reported)	Special Item No.	Description of Item	Insert "X" for item offered	Brand name	Delivery Days (ARO) Offered
\$1,507,807	71-201	Cabinets. Includes freestanding or built-in type cabinets for kitchen or general purpose use. Bathroom vanities will also be acceptable. Kitchen countertops and bathroom vanity tops will be accepted only if corresponding base units are offered and accepted for this SIN. Sinks will be accepted only if integral to the top. Cabinets intended primarily for kitchen use and bathroom vanities, shall be tested and certified as complying with applicable requirements of ANSI/KCMA A161.1. Safety requirements as stated above are applicable to this SIN. A wall attachment kit is required and must be proposed for certain tall items – see Safety requirements section above.			
\$0	71-202*	Wall Units. Includes wall units that have a wood construction with high-pressure laminate on any or all horizontal surfaces. Safety requirements as stated above are applicable to this SIN. A wall attachment kit is required and must be proposed for certain tall items – see Safety requirements section above.			
\$2,567,256	71-203*	Loft Group. Includes freestanding sleeping, studying and storage space system that allows a variety of configurations to suit specific room needs. Consists of a bed box and storage unit, as a minimum, and may include other items such as a writing surface, shelf etc. When the loft bed is designed and marketed for household use, it shall meet the ASTM F-1427 Standard Consumer Safety Specification for Bunk Beds (in lieu of 3FNE 99-582B requirements) and shall have guardrails and ladder. When the loft bed is designed and marketed for dormitory use by adults and the bed can be assembled with both headboard and footboard (i.e., bed is not supported by any chest, wardrobe etc.), loft bed testing shall be performed and test reports provided as specified in purchase description 3FNE 99-582B.			
\$52,426,532	71-204	Safety requirements as stated above are applicable to this SIN. A wall attachment kit is required and must be proposed for certain tall items – see Safety requirements section above. Dormitory, Quarters and Residential Casegoods and Beds. This SIN covers furniture pieces designed for household, quarters and			
		dormitory use and made from a variety of materials including wood, metal, wood/metal, stone, and glass. Ready-to-assemble (RTA) versions of the furniture covered in this SIN will be acceptable. Safety requirements as stated above are applicable to this SIN. A wall attachment kit is required and must be proposed for certain tall items – see Safety requirements section above. Residential dining room items that will be acceptable include, but are not limited to, dining and dinette tables, china cabinets, buffets, sideboards, servers, huntboards, baker's racks, breakfronts, corner			
		cupboards, etageres, curio/display cabinets. Acceptable casegoods include, but are not limited to, dressers (low and conventional height), chests, bureaus, low boys, high boys, vanities (including companion benches), nightstands, mirrors, wardrobes, clothing centers, clothes trees, hall trees, armoires, entertainment units, TV stands/cabinets, bookcases, wall units, curio cabinets, display pedestals, table desks, student desks, secretaries, home office type workstations, matching file cabinets, footlockers/blanket chests, tables including occasional, guest and game types. Tables designed for conference room use are not			

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		acceptable.			
		Acceptable bed items include, but are not limited to, headboards, bed frames, headboard and footboard sets, bed rails, captain's beds ⁴ , bunk beds ¹ , wall beds ² , roll-about and other portable beds, bed accessories including bed steps, bedside stools and benches, blanket racks, underbed storage units ⁴ , safety rails. Mattresses ³ and mattress/boxspring sets will be accepted only if a complete corresponding-size bed item(s) is offered and accepted for contract.			
		¹ Bunk bed testing shall be performed and test reports provided as specified in purchase description 3FNE 99-582B when the bed is designed and marketed for dormitory use by adults. When the bunk bed is designed and marketed for household use, it shall meet the ASTM F-1427 Standard Consumer Safety Specification for Bunk Beds (in lieu of 3FNE 99-582B requirements) and shall have guard rails and ladder.			
		² Wall bed testing shall be performed and test reports provided as specified in purchase description 3FNE 99-583.			
		³ Mattress flammability testing shall be performed and test reports provided as specified in purchase description 3FNE 99-584A.			
		⁴ Any included drawers shall be tested in accordance with the Group 4 tests in Purchase Description 3FNE 99-582B. Test results shall be reported on the report form included therein.			
\$5,599,340	71-205	Chairs – Dining Room, Desk, Side, Period Style and Bar Stools. Includes desk chairs and side chairs that accompany the furniture offered in SIN's 71-203 and 71-204; dining room chairs; bar stools; period style chairs that are reproduction or adaptation chairs utilizing authentic designs from various cultures, such as European, American and Oriental.			
		Flammability test documentation shall be provided in accordance with the flammability test requirements in the Technical Requirements Section of this solicitation.			
		Additionally, Rotary Base chairs shall be tested and certified as complying with applicable requirements of ANSI/BIFMA X5.1. If the manufacturer is ISO 9001 registered and the tests were performed while the manufacturer is ISO 9001 registered, performance tests are valid for the term of the contract unless changes have been made to the product or test standard. A copy of the ISO 9001 registration showing compliance must be submitted with the certifications. Manufacturers that become registered during the term of the contract must complete one successful test sequence after the registration.			
\$3,193,001	71-206	<u>Upholstered Seating</u> . Includes upholstered sofas, loveseats, lounge chairs, benches and ottomans, as well as motion furniture such as sleep sofas and recliners. Acceptable accessories include items such as replacement covers and cushions, and mechanisms and parts for motion furniture.			
		Sleep sofas shall be one, two or three seat units having fold-out, hinged metal frame, with adequate mattress support. Mattress shall fold neatly under the cushions for seating purposes and when opened, the top of the mattress shall be a minimum 350 mm above the floor. The mattress shall be a minimum 100 mm thick and shall be stored in a cavity a minimum 150 mm deep. Mattress thickness for each sleeper item shall be provided with the offer.			
		Sofas and loveseats as applicable, shall be tested for both			

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		flammability and performance requirements. Benches, ottomans and individual lounge chairs without matching sofa or loveseat require only flammability testing. Test reports shall be provided for performance testing conducted under either FNAE-80-214A or ANSI/BIFMA X5.4 testing, per the specific requirements in 3FNE 98-573C. Flammability test documentation shall be provided in accordance with the flammability test requirements in the Technical Requirements Section of this solicitation.			
\$501,773	71-207	Casual and Outdoor Furniture and Accessories. Includes furniture and related products intended for use in sunrooms, Florida rooms, and on porches, patios, lawns and other casual sitting areas. Acceptable items include, but are not limited to, dining tables, umbrellas, chairs, rockers, porch swings/gliders, one-, two-, and three-seat lounges, matching coordinating throw pillows, serving carts, tea carts, and related accessories and accent pieces, including plant stands and waste receptacles.			
		For offered seating units with upholstered cushions, sling seats, webbing, etc., flammability test documentation shall be provided in accordance with the flammability test requirements in the Technical Requirements Section of this solicitation.			
		Safety requirements as stated above are applicable to this SIN. A wall attachment kit is required and must be proposed for certain tall items – see Safety requirements section above.			
\$100,000	71-208	Retail Furniture Stores. Products offered under this SIN include, but are not limited to, household, dormitory and quarters furniture, office and conference room furniture, industrial and special use furniture, floor coverings and rugs, wall art, artificial plants and other decorative accessories, lamps, draperies, blinds and coordinated bedspreads. Panel supported office systems furniture is not included. Acceptance of products offered will be at the discretion of the government.			
		Lab Equipment and Park & Recreational Outdoor Furniture are excluded from this SIN. These types of items can be found on GSA Schedules 66 II N and 78.			
		See Retail Furniture Store provisions herein, following the Technical Requirements Section.			
\$2,173,423	71-295	Installation Services. Award of this SIN is limited to only those vendors offering products and having products accepted under other SIN's in this schedule for which installation is appropriate.			
		Installation services include delivery/inside delivery, coordination, unpacking, assembly/placement/leveling of product, removing of packing materials, and cleaning of product. Vendor may perform ancillary services that may be required in preparation for furniture installation on the job site. Subcontractors must be licensed and bonded. Compliance with all local laws, regulations and ordinances are the responsibility of the prime contractor. The prime contractor shall accept full responsibility and liability for all work performed by subcontractors under a resultant contract. The Government reserves the right to apply liquidated damages whenever the required delivery is not met.			
		Price of installation shall not exceed commercial charges for this service. Ancillary service charges must not exceed \$300,000 per job. Agencies will negotiate installation and ancillary services on a project-by-project basis which shall be priced as separate line items. All payments and orders must be placed with the prime contractor. Agencies must fully define the scope of required services under			

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		installation and/or ancillary services in order to facilitate realistic price quotations. Warranty – All installation and ancillary service work must be guaranteed for any defect in workmanship and materials in accordance with commercial practice.			
	71-296	Leased Furniture. For those offerors commercially offering leased furniture. Items shall comply with one of the other SIN descriptions in this schedule, including all applicable flammability test requirements and performance test requirements that ensure user safety, i.e. all applicable ANSI/BIFMA X5.1 tests for rotary chairs. Furniture pieces offered under the lease SIN, that are already on GSA contract under a "purchase" SIN in this schedule, require no further testing.			
		See Leasing provisions herein, following the Technical Requirements Section.			
	71-297	Rental Furniture. For those offerors commercially offering rented furniture. Items shall comply with one of the other SIN descriptions in this schedule, including all applicable flammability test requirements and performance test requirements that ensure user safety, i.e. all applicable ANSI/BIFMA X5.1 tests for rotary chairs. Furniture pieces offered under the rental SIN that are already on GSA contract under a "purchase" SIN in this schedule require no further testing.		_	
		See Rental provisions herein, following the Technical Requirements Section.			
\$913,588	71-298	International Products. This SIN covers items for use only in foreign destinations. (Items that will be sold within the United States shall be offered under one of the other SIN's, as appropriate). Items offered under this SIN shall comply with one of the other SIN descriptions in this schedule, excluding any performance test requirements except that Loft Beds and Bunk/Bunkable Beds must be tested and test reports provided as specified in SIN's 71-203 and 71-204, respectively. Offerors shall identify the SIN's that describe the items being offered by checking the categories below. Offerors shall certify that items offered have been tested and found to comply with minimum safety standards for the countries in which the products are sold.			
		 θ Cabinets (SIN 71-201) θ Wall Units (SIN 71-202) θ Loft Group (SIN 71-203) θ Dormitory, Quarters and Residential Casegoods and Beds (SIN 71-204) θ Chairs – Dining Room, Desk, Side, Period Style and Bar Stools (SIN 71-205) 			
		 θ Upholstered Seating (SIN 71-206) θ Casual and Outdoor Furniture and Accessories (SIN 71-207) θ Retail Furniture Stores (71-208) θ Installation Services (SIN 71-295) θ Leased Furniture (SIN 71-296) θ Rental Furniture (SIN 71-297) θ Introduction of New Services/Products (SIN 71-299) 			
\$1,434,587	71-299	Introduction Of New Services/Products (INSP). (a) Definition. Introduction of New Services/Products Special Item Number (INSP/SIN) means a new or improved service or product—within the scope of the Federal Supply Schedule, but not currently available under any Federal Supply Service contract—that provides a new service, function, task, or attribute that may provide a more economical or efficient means for Federal agencies to accomplish their mission. It may significantly improve an existing service or product. It			

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As Reported)	may be a service or product existing in the commercial market, but not yet introduced to the Federal Government. (b) Offerors are encouraged to introduce new services or products via the Introduction of New Services/Products Special Item Number (INSP/SIN). A new or improved service or product can be offered at anytime. Offerors are requested to clearly identify the INSP/SIN item in the offer. (c) The Contracting Officer will evaluate and process the INSP/SIN offer. A technical review may be performed. Offerors may be required to demonstrate that the service or product can provide a more economical or efficient means for Federal agencies to accomplish their mission. The Contracting Officer has the sole discretion to determine whether a product or service will be accepted as an INSP/SIN item. The INSP/SIN provides temporary placement until the new service or product can be formally categorized. (d) If the Contractor has an existing Multiple Award Schedule contract, the Government may, at the sole discretion of the Contracting Officer, modify the existing contract to include the INSP/SIN item in accordance with 552.243-72, Modifications (Multiple	offered		` '

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS SECTION

FLAMMABILITY AND PERFORMANCE TESTING

Products offered under this solicitation are required to meet applicable industry standards, tests, and GSA requirements in effect on the date of issuance of this solicitation. During the contract period of the schedule, products manufactured must meet the applicable standards, in effect at the time of manufacture. Copies of the referenced documents may be obtained from the issuing organizations at the addresses shown.

Products offered shall meet the acceptance criteria in the applicable documents and GSA requirements when tested in accordance with the appropriate tests for that product. When test reports are required, actual copies of test reports shall be provided. When test certifications are required, only certifications shall be provided however, GSA reserves the right to request actual copies of test reports at any time prior to contract award or during the course of the contract. Failure to provide test reports may result in rejection of the offer or termination of the contract. If a dispute arises relating to testing, GSA reserves the right to determine whether a test is appropriate for the product offered.

Unless otherwise noted, a representative sample may be used for products having multiple variations of the same basic construction. Products that are specifically distinguished in the test standard or in this solicitation shall have each model tested. The representative sample shall be the worst case for the test involved.

Flammability Test and Reporting Requirements

Flammability tests shall be conducted by an independent testing laboratory, the vendor's ISO Guide 25 self certified testing facility, or the vendor's ISO 9001 registered facility. TEST REPORTS are required for all flammability testing.

Mattresses

Mattress flammability test requirements are in 3FNE 99-584A.

Seating

All upholstery components (fabrics, vinyls, leathers, foams, batting, etc.) used in seating products being offered, shall comply with the applicable requirements of the State of California Technical Bulletin (TB) 117, latest issue in effect. Compliance with TB

117 shall be determined through testing and periodic retesting of the upholstery components by the component or seating manufacturer or an independent laboratory.

Evidence of compliance with TB 117 shall be submitted with an offer for any seating items utilizing upholstery components. The evidence of compliance will be evaluated by GSA and shall consist of one of the following <u>or</u> a combination of the following to cover all utilized components:

- (1) Product sample cards indicating compliance of the described upholstery components with TB 117;
- (2) Component manufacturer's published product specification sheets indicating compliance of the described upholstery components with TB 117;
- (3) Published commercial catalogs (from component supplier or furniture manufacturer) indicating compliance of specifically identified upholstery components, such as a listing of fabric pattern names, with TB 117. Statements of compliance addressing general categories of components, such as "all our fabrics and filling materials meet TB 117", are NOT acceptable.;
- (4) Laboratory test reports showing that the tested upholstery components meet all applicable sections of TB 117. In order to be considered complete and acceptable, a test report must include: specific identification of the tested product; the individual specimen results; the test date (not more than 3 years old when submitted); and the name of the person responsible for flammability compliance.;
- (5) A test certification from an independent test laboratory. In order to be considered complete and acceptable, the test certification must be on the laboratory's company letterhead, must specifically identify the products tested and found to comply with TB 117. Product must be identified by manufacturer and part or model number or product line. The date(s) of the testing on which the certification is based must be included. The certification must be dated and signed by a responsible official of the test lab.

When proposing new seating items for addition to an existing contract, the contractor's request shall include the information specified in 1 or 2 below, as applicable:

- Evidence of TB 117 compliance (as described above) for the upholstery components, used in the new seating products, that have not already approved for the contract <u>AND</u> a signed letter, prepared on company letterhead, stating that all other upholstery components used in the new seating products are identical to components previously approved for flammability by GSA.
- 2. A signed letter, prepared on company letterhead, stating that all upholstery components used in the new seating products are identical to components previously approved for flammability by GSA.

During the term of the contract, if planned manufacturing changes will result in the use of new upholstery components, components from a different supplier, etc., then the contractor shall submit evidence of compliance (as described above) with TB 117 for those components to the GSA contracting officer for review and approval. Written GSA approval must be obtained before the manufacturing changes are made to products on contract.

Upon request by GSA, during the term of the contract, the contractor shall furnish a copy of the test report on which TB 117 compliance was based.

Compliance with State of California Technical Bulletin (TB) 133 is not required for this schedule. Contractors offering products advertised as compliant with TB 133 should be prepared to provide proof of TB 133 compliance when requested by customers.

Performance Test, Reporting and Certification Requirements

Unless otherwise noted, manufacturers must provide to GSA a test certification stating that the products offered have been tested and have passed the applicable test requirements. The certification must be included with the offer. Manufacturer shall retain the test reports used as the basis for the certification for the term of the contract. At any time, GSA may request a copy of the test report. Failure to provide the report may result in cancellation of the contract.

Unless otherwise specified, test certifications shall be based on passing <u>performance test results not more than 3 years old at time of submittal of offer</u>. All performance tests <u>shall</u> be performed again when test standard is revised OR product is changed, as defined below. If test standard is not revised or product is not changed, <u>all performance tests shall be performed again within 5 years from the date of the original test and every 5 years thereafter during the term of the contract.</u>

<u>Product changes</u>: Testing shall be performed again <u>before</u> any product changes are made during the 5 year period regardless of the age of the tests. Testing due to product change(s) shall be submitted to GSA <u>before</u> the product change is made. Product changes that would require <u>retesting</u> include changes to the design, joinery, components, hardware supplier or construction. Following are examples of changes that would warrant retesting. These are only <u>examples</u> of the type of changes that would necessitate retesting but is <u>not intended to be an all inclusive list</u>.

- Reducing thickness of steel.
- Changing the shape of a steel formation in the product.
- Using longer drawer suspensions. (Using shorter length suspensions would not require retesting).
- Changing brand or model of drawer suspensions even if they are the same basic design.
- Changing grade or type of wood core material. (Changing the supplier of wood core material but not changing type and grade would <u>not</u> require retesting.)
- Changing frame materials in any part of a sofa/chair such as from solid lumber to another material such as plywood.
- Reducing thickness/width dimensions of frame members in a sofa/chair.
- Changing spring system in a sofa/chair such as from hand tied coil springs to another system.
- Changing joinery method in any part of a sofa/chair frame such as from dowels to gang nail plates.

<u>Retesting</u>: Test certifications or actual test reports as applicable, for retesting for any reason, shall be submitted to the contracting officer no later than 3 months after the test was performed.

<u>Current edition of test standard</u>: Test certifications or actual test reports as applicable, shall be based upon the most recent edition of the test standard. If a new industry standard is issued, items shall be retested in accordance with the new test standard. These revised tests shall be submitted to GSA within 18 months of the issuance date of the new standard regardless of the age of testing previously performed. On new offers, GSA will accept certifications for tests performed using the previous editions of an industry standard for up to 8 months after the approval date of a revision.

Unless otherwise specified, if the manufacturer is ISO 9001 registered and the tests were performed while the manufacturer was ISO 9001 registered, performance tests are valid for the term of the contract unless changes have been made to the product or test standard is revised. A copy of the offeror's ISO 9001 registration showing compliance must be submitted with the reports/certifications. Manufacturers that become ISO 9001 registered during the term of the contract must complete one successful test sequence after the registration.

As a minimum, the test certification shall be submitted on company letterhead and shall include the following information:

- 1. The manufacturer's name and model number of the item tested, or if appropriate, the product line tested.
- 2. Test method number(s) and edition date used for testing.
- 3. Date or range of dates that the test(s) were performed.
- 4. A statement that testing and certification apply to the product offered and that products offered meet all applicable test requirements.
- 5. Signature, date, and title of the company official accepting technical responsibility for testing.

TEST REPORTS (in lieu of certification) are REQUIRED for Upholstered Seating and may be required for other tests noted in this solicitation for specific products offered. To the fullest extent possible, test reports shall comply with the guidelines detailed in ISO Guide 45-Guidelines for the presentation of test results.

DOCUMENTS IN EFFECT AT THE TIME OF ISSUANCE OF THIS SOLICITATION INCLUDE: (Some of the below standards apply to SIN 71-208 only.)

AMERICAN NATIONAL STANDARDS INSTITUTE AND KITCHEN CABINET MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION (ANSI/KCMA)

A161.1-2000 Performance & Construction Standard for Kitchen and Vanity Cabinets

AMERICAN NATIONAL STANDARDS INSTITUTE AND BUSINESS AND INSTITUTIONAL FURNITURE MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION (ANSI/BIFMA)

X5.1-2002	American National Standard for Office Furnishings - General Purpose Office Chairs
X5.2-1997	American National Standard for Office Furnishings - Lateral Files
X5.3-1997	American National Standard for Office Furnishings - Vertical Files
X5.4-1997	American National Standard for Office Furnishings - Lounge Seating
X5.5-1998	American National Standard for Office Furnishings- Desk/Table Products-Tests
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AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR TESTING AND MATERIALS (ASTM)

F 404-99A	Standard Consumer Safety Specification for High Chairs
F 406-99	Standard Consumer Safety Specification for Play Yards.
F 966-96	Consumer Safety Specification for Full-Size and Non-Full-Size Baby Crib Corner Post Method for Laboratory
	Measurement of Airborne Sound Loss of Building Partitions Extensions.
F 1169-99	Standard Specification for Full Size Baby Crib.

F-1427-01 Standard Consumer Safety Specification for Bunk Bed

ISO/IEC

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ISO 25	General Requirements for the Competence of Calibration and Testing Laboratories
ISO 45	Guidelines for the Presentation of Test Results

ISO 9001 Quality Systems - Model for Quality Assurance in Design/Development, Production, Installation and Servicing

STATE OF CALIFORNIA (CAL)

CAL 117	California Technical Bulletin 117 - Requirements, Test Procedure and Apparatus for Testing the Flame			
Retardance of Resilient Filling Materials used in Upholstered Furniture				

CAL 133 California Technical Bulletin 133 – Flammability Test Procedure for Seating Furniture for Use in Public Occupancies

UNDERWRITERS LABORATORIES INC. (UL)

UL DORM ROOM SAFETY 101 GUIDÈLINES
UL 498 Attachment Plugs & Receptacles
UL 817 Cord sets and Power-Supply Cords

NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION (NFPA)

NFPA 701 Standard Methods of Fire Tests for Flame-Resistant Textiles and Fabrics

GSA STANDARDS AND DESCRIPTIONS

FNAE 80-214A	Upholstered Furniture Test Method
3FNE 98-573C	Upholstered Furniture
3FNE 98-575A	Standard Form for Submitting CAL 117 Test Results
3FNE 99-582B	Test Requirements for Bunk and Loft Beds
3FNE 99-583	Test Requirements for Wall Beds
3FNE 99-584A	Flammability Test Requirements for Mattresses
3FNE 98-572C	Executive Office Furniture
3FNF 98-574	Tables and Accessories

SOURCES FOR STANDARDS:

GSA STANDARDS AND PURCHASE DESCRIPTIONS:

Can be downloaded free of charge from our web site www.gsa.gov/furniturespecs then in left hand column, click on "Technical Descriptions and Standards".

or write to:

GSA/FSS/3FNE-CO (703) 305-6774
National Furniture Center FAX (703) 308-3658
Engineering Division
1941 Jefferson Davis Highway, Room 405
Arlington, VA 22202

U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCTS SAFETY COMMISSION, Title 16, Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 1508, 1509, and 1632 are available from:

The Superintendent of Documents U.S. Government Printing Office Washington, D.C. 20402

NFPA STANDARDS ARE AVAILABLE FROM:

 National Fire Protection Association
 (800) 344-3555

 1 Batterymarch Park
 (617) 770-3000

 PO Box 9101
 FAX (617) 770-0700

 Quincy, MA 02269-9101
 www.nfpa.org

National Fire Protection Association (800) 344-3555 11 Tracy Drive FAX (800) 593-6372 Avon, MA 02322

ANSI/BIFMA STANDARDS ARE AVAILABLE FROM:

American National Standards Institute (212) 642-4900

11 West 42nd Street or FAX (212) 302-1286 FAX (212) 398-0023

25 West 43rd Street <u>www.ansi.org</u> New York, NY 10036

ANSI/KCMA STANDARDS ARE AVAILABLE FROM:

Kitchen Cabinet Manufacturers Association (703) 264-1690
1899 Preston White Drive FAX (703) 620-6530
Reston, VA 20191-5435 www.kcma.org

ASTM STANDARDS ARE AVAILABLE FROM:

American Society for Testing and Materials
100 Barr Harbor Dr.
West Conshohocken, PA 19428-2959

(610) 832-9585
FAX (610) 832-9555

www.astm.org

ISO/IEC STANDARDS ARE AVAILABLE FROM:

American Society for Quality

600 North Plankinton Avenue

Milwaukee, WI 53203

P.O. Box 3005

Milwaukee, WI 53201-3005

North America: (800) 248-1946

International: (414) 272-8575

Fax: (414) 272-1734

www.asq.org

CAL 117 AND 133 TECHNICAL BULLETINS ARE AVAILABLE FROM:

California Bureau of Home Furnishings and Thermal Insulation 3485 Orange Grove Avenue FAX (916) 574-2041 FAX (916) 574-2043 www.bhfti.ca.gov

UL STANDARDS ARE AVAILABLE FROM:

 Underwriters Laboratories, Inc.
 800-285-4476

 333 Pfingston Rd.
 (708) 272-8800

 Northbrook, IL 60062-2096
 www.ul.com

TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO RETAIL FURNITURE STORES (SIN 71-208)

NOTE: Offerors may provide a multiple discount structure based on product line categories as an attachment to the Schedule of Items.

When a sale price is offered that is lower than the discounted government contract price, federal customers will be charged the sale price for the duration of the sale. Discounts offered in temporary sales shall not constitute a price reduction.

Note: Services considered under the above SIN are limited to those regularly offered and performed in a retail furniture store and may only be provided in conjunction with a product purchase. Potential services to be considered under this SIN include, but are not limited to, services such as fabric and color selection, measuring and estimating, layout, delivery, and installation

DESCRIPTION OF WORK

The Retail Furniture Store contract will be an Indefinite Delivery, Indefinite Quantity (Multiple Award Schedule) contract providing GSA customers the ability to obtain a broad selection of furniture and furnishings products and services on a walk-in basis. Orders placed, other than in person (e.g. by phone, mail or internet) will not be accepted by the retail store unless the order is a result of a prior visit to the store. Federal government customers will use the government purchase card as the preferred method of payment. In those instances where use of the government purchase card is not feasible, contractors may accept delivery orders issued by authorized users. A "delivery order" means an order for products or services placed against an established contract.

For purposes of this contract, references to an "order" placed under the contract means a transaction by an authorized government employee or user utilizing a government purchase card or delivery order.

Report of sales will be based on Industrial Funding Fee and Sales Reporting (JUL 2003) (Clause 552.238-74), which requires submission of a fee to the Government equal to 0.75% of the retailer's total contract quarterly sales. A quarter is defined as a calendar quarter (i.e. January-March, April-June, July-September, or October-December).

Applicable to SIN 71-208 - RETAIL FURNITURE STORES

Products offered under this SIN include, but are not limited to, household, dormitory and quarters furniture, office and conference room furniture, industrial and special use furniture, floor coverings and rugs, wall art, artificial plants and other decorative accessories, lamps, draperies, blinds and coordinated bedspreads. Panel supported office systems furniture is not included. Acceptance of products offered will be at the discretion of the government.

Products included under SIN 71-208 must meet the following criteria:

- Products shall be durable, non-perishable goods that fall within the SIC/NAICS codes listed.
- 2. Products shall not be from prohibited sources or manufacturers debarred from government contracts (See 52.212-3 and 52.212-5).
- 3. Representative samples of each offered product or product line shall be available in the store for viewing and examination. Representative samples shall be products from the same manufacturer and product line.
- 4. Products shall meet the performance and safety requirements specified in the technical requirements statement below.
- 5. Products shall be available for carry-out or for delivery from stock, company warehouses, or direct from the manufacturer within a four-week period.
- 6. New items may be added to the contract by submitting a letter to the GSA Contracting Officer identifying the brand and model numbers. Added products must meet the product criteria in items 1 through 5 above.

In order to submit an offer under SIN 71-208, an offeror must be able to meet the following criteria:

- 1. Be a retail furniture store open to the general public, with more than 50% of annual sales from furniture products/services.
- 2. Have a documented process that can differentiate between contract and non-contract items and knowledgeable staff to prevent sales of non-contract items to government customers.
- 3. Have a process to ensure products offered meet performance and safety requirements as specified herein and retain proof of compliance for the term of the contract.
- 4. Provide the necessary staff and equipment to manage and deliver a wide range of furniture and furniture related products and services on a walk-in basis.
- 5. Provide delivery, call-in consultation, and installation services at least equal to that provided to the commercial customers.
- 6. When a government purchase card is utilized, credit the government purchase card account upon which sale was made for any over charges; adjustments based on inspection/acceptance, changes, termination, or warranty clauses; or any other clause or provision of this contract that results in a credit to the government. Rebates in the form of cash, in-kind goods (other than direct replacement) or other store credits are not permitted.
- 7. Report quarterly contract sales and remit the 0.75% Industrial Funding Fee (IFF) to the specified GSA finance office.
- 8. For orders that utilize the government purchase card, capture the transactions electronically at the point of sale.
- 9. There must be a federal government activity within the retailer's commercial delivery area.
- 10. The retailer must manage and control the application of the discount at the point of sale.

RETAIL FURNITURE STORES TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

Furniture on contract under the new Retail furniture SIN will be required to meet the same safety and performance testing requirements as furniture on the 71 I, 71 II, 71 III, 72 I A and 72 II schedules.

Summary of current test requirements for information only (not intended to be an all inclusive listing):

	Test standard	Test for	Type of test
Office, library and household pedestal	ANSI X5.1 or	Safety and	Industry
based chairs		performance	(ANSI-BIFMA)
	FNEW 83-269		GSA
Office and institutional lateral files	ANSI X5.2	Safety and	Industry
		performance	(ANSI-BIFMA)
Office and institutional vertical files	ANSI X5.3	Safety and	Industry

	Test standard	Test for	Type of test
		performance	(ANSI-BIFMA)
Upholstered lounge seating and multiple seating units	ANSI X5.4 or FNAE 80-214 (minimum light service rating)	Safety and performance	GSA Industry (ANSI-BIFMA)
Office casegoods including desks, credenzas, tables	ANSI X5.5	Safety and performance	Industry (ANSI-BIFMA)
Cord sets and power supply cords	UL 817	Safety	Industry (UL)
Cabinets, household and institutional	ANSI A161.1	Safety and performance	Industry (KCMA)
Bunk/Loft beds, household	ASTM F-1427	Safety	Federal regulation (CFR)
Bunk/Loft beds, dormitory, correctional and institutional	3FNE 99-582	Safety and performance	GSA
Fabric, filling materials on all seating	Cal 117	Safety (flammability)	State of California
Electrical plugs and receptacles	UL 498	Safety	Industry (UL)
Broadloom carpet	3FNE 00-591 and test requirements in SIN 31-301, 302 and 304	Safety and performance	GSA and industry
Carpet tiles	3FNE 00-591 and test requirements in SIN 31-303 and 304	Safety and performance	GSA and industry
Carpet cushion	3FNE 00-591 and test requirements in SIN 31-305	Safety and performance	GSA and industry
Resilient tile	Test requirements in SIN 31-401	Safety and performance	GSA and industry
Resilient sheet flooring	Test requirements in SIN 31-402	Safety and performance	GSA and industry
Mats and matting	Test requirements in SIN 31-501 and 502	Safety and performance	GSA and industry
Recycled and biobased content flooring	Applicable test requirements referenced in SIN 31-601	Safety and performance	GSA and industry
Floor covering accessories	Applicable test requirements in 3FNE 00-591 as defined in SIN 31-603	Safety and performance	GSA and industry
Lamps	UL 153	Safety	Industry (UL)
Window treatments and cubicle curtains	NFPA 701 (small scale)	Safety (flammability)	Industry (NFPA)

TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO LEASING OF GENERAL PURPOSE COMMERCIAL FURNITURE AND FURNISHINGS (SIN 71-296)

*** NOTE: Under SIN 71-296, Leasing of Products, there are two sets of terms and conditions. Option 1 does not contain a cancellation clause and all leases automatically expire on September 30th or sooner. Option 2 contains a cancellation clause in which the fee must be in accordance with the Anti-Deficiency Act. You may offer either option or both options.***

OPTION ONE

1. STATEMENT

- a. It is understood by all parties to this contract that this is a leasing arrangement. In that regard, the Government, as lessee, anticipates fulfilling the leasing agreement. The Government, upon issuance of the delivery order, contemplates the use of the furniture and furnishings for the life of the lease (N months) as specified in the delivery order). However, unless the ordering office has funding which exceeds a Government fiscal year, the initial term of the leasing agreement is from the date of the equipment acceptance through September 30 of the fiscal year in which the order is placed.
- b. Agencies are advised to follow the guidance provided in Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Subpart 7.4 Equipment Lease or Purchase. Agencies are responsible for the obligation of funding consistent with fiscal law when entering into any lease arrangement.

2. LEASING OPTIONS

The Government will consider proposals for leasing options, which the Contractor believes, will have application in the Government. Only those vendor proposed options, which are considered to represent good value, will be accepted. The following leasing options are suggested:

- a. Lease to Ownership (Capital Lease)
- b. Lease with Option to Own (Operating Lease)
- c. Lease of a Solution

3. ORDERS AND PERIODS OF LEASING ARRANGEMENTS

- a. Orders placing furniture and furnishings under a leasing arrangement must specify the applicable leasing option under which the furniture and furnishings is being leased.
 - b. Annual Funding. When annually appropriated funds are cited on an order for leasing, the following applies:
- (1) Any lease executed by the Government shall be on the basis that the known requirements exceed the initial leasing term of twelve (12) months, or the remainder of the fiscal year. Due to funding constraints, however, the Government cannot normally commit to a longer term at the commencement of the lease. In order to permit the exercise of renewal options granted to the Government under the lease, the total leasing term shall be specified in the delivery order. All orders for leasing shall remain in effect through September 30 of the fiscal year or the planned expiration date of the lease, whichever is earlier, unless the Government exercises its rights hereunder to acquire title to the furniture and furnishings prior to the planned expiration date. Orders under the lease shall not be deemed to obligate succeeding fiscal year's funds or to otherwise commit the Government to a renewal.
- (2) All orders for leasing automatically terminate on September 30 of the contract term; however, ordering offices should notify the Contractor in writing thirty (30) calendar days prior to the expiration of such orders as to the Government's intent to renew. Such notice to renew shall not bind the Government. The Government has the option to renew each year at the original lease monthly charge in effect at the time the leasing order is placed, until the completion of the leasing agreement. If the Government exercises its option to renew, the leasing order, as renewed, shall include an option to renew until the expiration of the leasing agreement.
- c. Cross-year Funding Within Contract Period. Where an ordering office's specific appropriation authority provides for funds in excess of a 12 month (fiscal year) period, the ordering office may place a schedule contract order for leasing for a period up to the expiration of its period of appropriation availability, or the expiration of the contract period whichever comes first, notwithstanding the intervening fiscal years.
- d. In recognition of the types of furniture and furnishings on this Schedule and the potential adverse impact to the Government's mission, the government's quiet and peaceful possession and unrestricted use of the furniture and furnishings shall not be disturbed in the event the furniture and furnishings is sold by the Contractor, or in the event of bankruptcy of the Contractor, corporate dissolution of the Contractor, or other event, so long as the Government is not in default. The furniture and furnishings shall remain in the possession of the Government until the expiration of the lease. Any assignment, sale, bankruptcy or other transfer of the leased equipment by the Contractor will not relieve the Contractor of its obligations to the Government, and will not change the Government's duties or increase the burdens or risks imposed on the Government.
- e. GSAR 552.232-23 Assignment of Claims is incorporated herein by reference as part of this pricelist. The ordering agency contracting officer may approve the assignment of claim for a lease in accordance with FAR 32.304-5. Contractors cannot prohibit or otherwise limit the Government's ability to setoff lease payments under any lease or assignment of a lease.
 - f. Ordering Procedures:
- (1) When a Government ordering office expresses an interest in leasing furniture or furnishings, the ordering office will provide the following information to the prospective vendor:
 - (i) Which furniture or furnishings are required.
 - (ii) The required delivery date.
 - (iii) The proposed term of lease.
 - (iv) Where the furniture or furnishings will be located.
 - (v) Description of the intended use of the furniture or furnishings.
 - (2) The lessor will respond with:
 - (i) Whether the lessor can provide the required furniture or furnishings.
 - (ii) The estimated residual value of the furniture or furnishings.
 - (iii) The monthly payment based on the rate and the initial and residual values of the furniture or furnishings.
 - (iv) The estimated cost, if any, of applicable State or local taxes.

- (v) A confirmation of the availability of the furniture or furnishings on the required delivery date.
- (vi) Extent of warranty coverage, if any, of the leased furniture or furnishings.

4. MAINTENANCE AND INSTALLATION

a. Maintenance and installation, when applicable, normally are not included in the charge for leasing. The Government may obtain installation and/or maintenance from the Contractor or from other sources, including Government performed installation and/or maintenance.

5. MONTHLY PAYMENTS

- a. Prior to the placement of an order under this Special Item Number, the Government ordering office and the Contractor must agree on a "base value" for the furniture or furnishings to be leased. For Lease to Ownership (Capital Lease) the base value will be the contract purchase price (less any discounts). For Lease with Option to Own (Operating Lease), the base value will be the contract purchase price (less any discounts), less a mutually agreed upon residual value for the furniture or furnishings. The residual value will be used in the calculation of the original lease payment, lease extension payments and the purchase option price.
- b. To determine the initial lease term payment, the Contractor agrees to apply the negotiated lease factor to the agreed upon base value: _______.

For example: Lease factor one (1) percent over the rate for the three year (or other term) Treasury Bill (T-bill) at the most current U. S. Treasury auction.

The lease payment may be calculated by using a programmed business calculator or by using "rate" functions provided in commercial computer spreadsheets (e.g., Lotus 1-2-3, Excel).

- c. For any lease extension, the extension lease payment will be based on the original residual value, in lieu of the purchase price. The ordering agency and the Contractor shall agree on a new residual value based on the estimated fair market price at the end of the extension. The formula to determine the lease payment will be that in 5.b. above.
- d. The purchase option price will be the fair market value of the product. The payment will be based upon the unamortized principle, as shown on the payment schedule as of the last payment prior to date of transfer of ownership.

In the event the Government desires, at any time, to acquire title to furniture or furnishings leased hereunder, the Government may make a one-time lump sum payment.

6. LEASE END/DISCONTINUANCE OPTIONS

- a. Upon the expiration of the Lease Term, the Government will return the furniture or furnishings to the Contractor pursuant to paragraph 12 unless the Government by 30 days written notice elects either:
 - (1) to purchase the furniture or furnishings for the residual value of the equipment, or
- (2) to renew the term of the Lease. To compute the lease payment, the residual value from the preceding lease shall be the initial value of the leased equipment. A new residual value shall be negotiated for the renewed lease and new lease payments shall be computed.
- b. The Government shall request a confirmation of the shipping address not later than 15 calendar days prior to the return of the products.
- c. The Contractor shall conduct a timely inspection of the returned products and within 30 days of the return, assert a claim if the condition of the furniture or furnishings exceeds normal wear and tear.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO DAILY/SHORT TERM RENTAL OF GENERAL PURPOSE COMMERCIAL FURNITURE AND FURNISHINGS (SIN 71-297)

1. STATEMENT

a. It is understood by all parties to this contract that this is a daily or short term rental arrangement. In the sense that someone would **rent** a car for a day or a week and **lease** it for one or more years, the intent of this Schedule pricelist is to

provide for the rental of furniture or furnishings for brief periods of time for purposes such as disaster recovery, trade shows or other short term requirements. If the Agency's requirement is likely to exceed six months, then other means of acquisition such as lease or purchase should be considered.

b. Agencies are advised to follow the guidance provided in Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Subpart 7.4 Equipment Leasing or Purchase and the guidelines provided in Federal Property Management Regulations (FPMR) 101-25.5 Guidelines for Making Purchase or Lease Determinations, to ascertain whether equipment should be acquired by purchase, lease or rental.

2. RENTAL ARRANGEMENTS

- a. In recognition of the types of products on this Schedule and the potential adverse impact to the Government's mission, the Government's quiet and peaceful possession and unrestricted use of the equipment shall not be disturbed in the event the equipment is sold by the Contractor, or in the event of bankruptcy of the Contractor, corporate dissolution of the Contractor, or other event, so long as the Government is not in default. The products shall remain in the possession of the Government until the expiration of the rental agreement. Any assignment, sale, bankruptcy or other transfer of the rented products by the Contractor will not relieve the Contractor of its obligations to the government and will not change the Government's duties or increase the burdens or risks imposed on the Government.
 - b. GSAR 552.232-23 Assignment of Claims is incorporated herein by reference as of this pricelist.

ORDERING PROCEDURE

- a. When a Government ordering office wishes to place a rental order through this Schedule, the following information will be provided to the vendor:
 - (1) The required products,
 - (2) The required delivery date,
 - (3) The term of the rental order, and
 - (4) The location and intended use of the products.
 - b. The vendor will respond with whether the products can be provided on the required delivery date.

4. MAINTENANCE AND INSTALLATION

Maintenance is included in the charge for rental. The Government may obtain installation from the Contractor or from other sources, including Government performed installation and/or maintenance.

5. RENTAL PAYMENTS

- a. Rental payments are as stated in this pricelist.
- b. If the sum of the payments exceeds _____% of the stated initial value of the rented products, then ownership of the rented property transfers to the renting agency.

NOTE: Offeror is to insert a proposed percentage.

6. ORDER END OPTION

At the end of the order rental term, the government will return the products to the Contractor pursuant to paragraph 12 unless by written notice, at least three (3) days prior to expiration of the rental term, the Government elects to extend the rental order.

7. UPGRADES AND ADDITIONS

- a. The Government may affix or install any accessory, addition, upgrade, equipment or device on the products ("additions") provided that such additions:
 - (1) can be removed without causing material damage to the products;
 - (2) do not reduce the value of the products; and
- (3) are obtained from or approved by the Contractor and are not subject to the interest of any third party other than the Contractor.

- b. Any other additions may not be installed without the Contractor's prior written consent. At the end of the rental term, the Government shall remove any additions which:
 - (1) were not rented from the Contractor, and
- (2) are readily removable without causing material damage or impairment of the intended function, use or value of the equipment and restore the product to its original configuration.
 - c. Any Additions which are not so removable will become the Contractor's property (lien Free).

8. RISK OF LOSS OR DAMAGE

The Government is relieved from all risk of loss or damage to the products during periods of transportation, installation and during the entire time the product is in possession of the Government, except when loss or damage is due to the fault or negligence of the Government. The Government shall assume risk of loss or damage to the product during relocation unless the Contractor shall undertake such relocation.

9. TITLE

The rented property shall always remain the property of the Contractor. The Government shall have no right or interest in the products except as provided in this rental schedule and the rental order and shall hold the property subject and subordinate to the rights of the Contractor.

10. TAXES

The Contractor is responsible for all state and local taxes.

11. DISCONTINUANCE AND TERMINATION

Products rented under this agreement may be terminated at any time during a fiscal year in accordance with FAR 52.212-4, paragraph (1) Termination for the Government's convenience.

12. RETURN OF PRODUCTS

- a. Within three (3) days after the date of expiration or termination of rental order, the Government shall, at its' own risk and expense, have the products ready and packed for shipment in accordance with the Contractor's specifications and shall return the products to the Contractor at the Contractor's facility nearest to the Government location, in the same condition as when delivered, ordinary wear and tear expected.
- b. Upon request by the Government and at the Government's expense, the Government shall assist in the de-installation and packing of products so terminated or discontinued. Such services, if required, are outside the scope of the contract.
- c. The vendor shall conduct a timely inspection of the returned products and within 30 days of the return, assert any claim if the products' condition exceeds normal wear and tear.

52.212-4 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS—COMMERCIAL ITEMS (OCT 2003)

- (a) Inspection/Acceptance. The Contractor shall only tender for acceptance those items that conform to the requirements of this contract. The Government reserves the right to inspect or test any supplies or services that have been tendered for acceptance. The Government may require repair or replacement of nonconforming supplies or reperformance of nonconforming services at no increase in contract price. The Government must exercise its post acceptance rights (1) within a reasonable time after the defect was discovered or should have been discovered; and (2) before any substantial change occurs in the condition of the item, unless the change is due to the defect in the item.
- (b) Assignment. The Contractor or its assignee may assign its rights to receive payment due as a result of performance of this contract to a bank, trust company, or other financing institution, including any Federal lending agency in accordance with the Assignment of Claims Act (31 U.S.C. 3727). However, when a third party makes payment (e.g., use of the Governmentwide commercial purchase card), the Contractor may not assign its rights to receive payment under this contract.
- (c) Changes. Changes in the terms and conditions of this contract may be made only by written agreement of the parties.
- (d) Disputes. This contract is subject to the Contract Disputes Act of 1978, as amended (41 U.S.C. 601-613). Failure of the parties to this contract to reach agreement on any request for equitable adjustment, claim, appeal or action arising under or relating to this contract shall be a dispute to be resolved in accordance with the clause at FAR 52.233-1, Disputes, which is

incorporated herein by reference. The Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of this contract, pending final resolution of any dispute arising under the contract.

- (e) Definitions. The clause at FAR 52.202-1, Definitions, is incorporated herein by reference.
- (f) Excusable delays. The Contractor shall be liable for default unless nonperformance is caused by an occurrence beyond the reasonable control of the Contractor and without its fault or negligence such as, acts of God or the public enemy, acts of the Government in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, unusually severe weather, and delays of common carriers. The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer in writing as soon as it is reasonably possible after the commencement of any excusable delay, setting forth the full particulars in connection therewith, shall remedy such occurrence with all reasonable dispatch, and shall promptly give written notice to the Contracting Officer of the cessation of such occurrence.
- (g) Invoice.
- (1) The Contractor shall submit an original invoice and three copies (or electronic invoice, if authorized) to the address designated in the contract to receive invoices. An invoice must include:
 - (i) Name and address of the Contractor;
 - (ii) Invoice date and number;
 - (iii) Contract number, contract line item number and, if applicable, the order number;
 - (iv) Description, quantity, unit of measure, unit price and extended price of the items delivered;
- (v) Shipping number and date of shipment, including the bill of lading number and weight of shipment if shipped on Government bill of lading:
 - (vi) Terms of any discount for prompt payment offered;
 - (vii) Name and address of official to whom payment is to be sent;
 - (viii) Name, title, and phone number of person to notify in event of defective invoice; and
- (ix) Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN). The Contractor shall include its TIN on the invoice only if required elsewhere in this contract.
 - (x) Electronic funds transfer (EFT) banking information.
 - (A) The Contractor shall include EFT banking information on the invoice only if required elsewhere in this contract.
- (B) If EFT banking information is not required to be on the invoice, in order for the invoice to be a proper invoice, the Contractor shall have submitted correct EFT banking information in accordance with the applicable solicitation provision, contract clause (e.g., 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer--Central Contractor Registration, or 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer--Other Than Central Contractor Registration), or applicable agency procedures.
 - (C) EFT banking information is not required if the Government waived the requirement to pay by EFT.
- (2) Invoices will be handled in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C. 3903) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) prompt payment regulations at 5 CFR part 1315.
- (h) Patent indemnity. The Contractor shall indemnify the Government and its officers, employees and agents against liability, including costs, for actual or alleged direct or contributory infringement of, or inducement to infringe, any United States or foreign patent, trademark or copyright, arising out of the performance of this contract, provided the Contractor is reasonably notified of such claims and proceedings.
- (i) Payment.
- (1) Items accepted. Payment shall be made for items accepted by the Government that have been delivered to the delivery destinations set forth in this contract.
- (2) Prompt payment. The Government will make payment in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C. 3903) and prompt payment regulations at 5 CFR part 1315.
- (3) Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT). If the Government makes payment by EFT, see 52.212-5(b) for the appropriate EFT clause.
- (4) Discount. In connection with any discount offered for early payment, time shall be computed from the date of the invoice. For the purpose of computing the discount earned, payment shall be considered to have been made on the date which appears on the payment check or the specified payment date if an electronic funds transfer payment is made.
- (5) Overpayments. If the Contractor becomes aware of a duplicate contract financing or invoice payment or that the Government has otherwise overpaid on a contract financing or invoice payment, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Contracting Officer and request instructions for disposition of the overpayment.
- (j) Risk of loss. Unless the contract specifically provides otherwise, risk of loss or damage to the supplies provided under this contract shall remain with the Contractor until, and shall pass to the Government upon:
 - (1) Delivery of the supplies to a carrier, if transportation is f.o.b. origin; or
- (2) Delivery of the supplies to the Government at the destination specified in the contract, if transportation is f.o.b. destination.
- (k) Taxes. The contract price includes all applicable Federal, State, and local taxes and duties.
- (I) Termination for the Government's convenience. The Government reserves the right to terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for its sole convenience. In the event of such termination, the Contractor shall immediately stop all work hereunder and shall immediately cause any and all of its suppliers and subcontractors to cease work. Subject to the terms of this contract, the Contractor shall be paid a percentage of the contract price reflecting the percentage of the work performed prior to the notice of termination, plus reasonable charges the Contractor can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Government using its standard

record keeping system, have resulted from the termination. The Contractor shall not be required to comply with the cost accounting standards or contract cost principles for this purpose. This paragraph does not give the Government any right to audit the Contractor's records. The Contractor shall not be paid for any work performed or costs incurred which reasonably could have been avoided.

- (m) Termination for cause. The Government may terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for cause in the event of any default by the Contractor, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any contract terms and conditions, or fails to provide the Government, upon request, with adequate assurances of future performance. In the event of termination for cause, the Government shall not be liable to the Contractor for any amount for supplies or services not accepted, and the Contractor shall be liable to the Government for any and all rights and remedies provided by law. If it is determined that the Government improperly terminated this contract for default, such termination shall be deemed a termination for convenience.
- (n) *Title*. Unless specified elsewhere in this contract, title to items furnished under this contract shall pass to the Government upon acceptance, regardless of when or where the Government takes physical possession.
- (o) Warranty. The Contractor warrants and implies that the items delivered hereunder are merchantable and fit for use for the particular purpose described in this contract.
- (p) Limitation of liability. Except as otherwise provided by an express warranty, the Contractor will not be liable to the Government for consequential damages resulting from any defect or deficiencies in accepted items.
- (q) Other compliances. The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, executive orders, rules and regulations applicable to its performance under this contract.
- (r) Compliance with laws unique to Government contracts. The Contractor agrees to comply with 31 U.S.C. 1352 relating to limitations on the use of appropriated funds to influence certain Federal contracts; 18 U.S.C. 431 relating to officials not to benefit; 40 U.S.C. 327, et seq., Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act; 41 U.S.C. 51-58, Anti-Kickback Act of 1986; 41 U.S.C. 265 and 10 U.S.C. 2409 relating to whistleblower protections; 49 U.S.C. 40118, Fly American; and 41 U.S.C. 423 relating to procurement integrity.
- (s) Order of precedence. Any inconsistencies in this solicitation or contract shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order: (1) the schedule of supplies/services; (2) the Assignments, Disputes, Payments, Invoice, Other Compliances, and Compliance with Laws Unique to Government Contracts paragraphs of this clause; (3) the clause at 52.212-5; (4) addenda to this solicitation or contract, including any license agreements for computer software; (5) solicitation provisions if this is a solicitation; (6) other paragraphs of this clause; (7) the Standard Form 1449; (8) other documents, exhibits, and attachments; and (9) the specification.
- (t) Central Contractor Registration (CCR).
- (1) Unless exempted by an addendum to this contract, the Contractor is responsible during performance and through final payment of any contract for the accuracy and completeness of the data within the CCR database, and for any liability resulting from the Government's reliance on inaccurate or incomplete data. To remain registered in the CCR database after the initial registration, the Contractor is required to review and update on an annual basis from the date of initial registration or subsequent updates its information in the CCR database to ensure it is current, accurate and complete. Updating information in the CCR does not alter the terms and conditions of this contract and is not a substitute for a properly executed contractual document.
- (2) (i) If a Contractor has legally changed its business name, "doing business as" name, or division name (whichever is shown on the contract), or has transferred the assets used in performing the contract, but has not completed the necessary requirements regarding novation and change-of-name agreements in FAR subpart 42.12, the Contractor shall provide the responsible Contracting Officer a minimum of one business day's written notification of its intention to (A) change the name in the CCR database; (B) comply with the requirements of subpart 42.12; and (C) agree in writing to the timeline and procedures specified by the responsible Contracting Officer. The Contractor must provide with the notification sufficient documentation to support the legally changed name.
- (ii) If the Contractor fails to comply with the requirements of paragraph (t)(2)(i) of this clause, or fails to perform the agreement at paragraph (t)(2)(i)(C) of this clause, and, in the absence of a properly executed novation or change-of-name agreement, the CCR information that shows the Contractor to be other than the Contractor indicated in the contract will be considered to be incorrect information within the meaning of the "Suspension of Payment" paragraph of the electronic funds transfer (EFT) clause of this contract.
- (3) The Contractor shall not change the name or address for EFT payments or manual payments, as appropriate, in the CCR record to reflect an assignee for the purpose of assignment of claims (see Subpart 32.8, Assignment of Claims). Assignees shall be separately registered in the CCR database. Information provided to the Contractor's CCR record that indicates payments, including those made by EFT, to an ultimate recipient other than that Contractor will be considered to be incorrect information within the meaning of the "Suspension of payment" paragraph of the EFT clause of this contract.
- (4) Offerors and Contractors may obtain information on registration and annual confirmation requirements via the internet at http://www.ccr.gov or by calling 1-888-227-2423 or 269-961-5757.

ADDENDUM TO CLAUSE 52.212-4:

Note: Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR) clauses incorporated by reference may be viewed in full text on the internet at http://arnet.gov/far/.

52.203-3 GRATUITIES (APR 1984)

- (a) The right of the Contractor to proceed may be terminated by written notice if, after notice and hearing, the agency head or a designee determines that the Contractor, its agent, or another representative—
 - (1) Offered or gave a gratuity (e.g., an entertainment or gift) to an officer, official, or employee of the Government; and
 - (2) Intended, by the gratuity, to obtain a contract or favorable treatment under a contract.
- (b) The facts supporting this determination may be reviewed by any court having lawful jurisdiction.
- (c) If this contract is terminated under paragraph (a) above, the Government is entitled—
 - (1) To pursue the same remedies as in a breach of the contract; and
- (2) In addition to any other damages provided by law, to exemplary damages of not less than 3 nor more than 10 times the cost incurred by the Contractor in giving gratuities to the person concerned, as determined by the agency head or a designee. (This subparagraph (c)(2) is applicable only if this contract uses money appropriated to the Department of Defense.)
- (d) The rights and remedies of the Government provided in this clause shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract.

52.204-4 PRINTED OR COPIED DOUBLE-SIDED ON RECYCLED PAPER (AUG 2000)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause-

Post consumer material means a material or finished product that has served its intended use and has been discarded for disposal or recovery, having completed its life as a consumer item. Post consumer material is a part of the broader category of "recovered material." For paper and paper products, post consumer material means "post consumer fiber" defined by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as—

- (1) Paper, paperboard, and fibrous materials from retail stores, office buildings, homes, and so forth, after they have passed through their end-usage as a consumer item, including: used corrugated boxes; old newspapers; old magazines; mixed waste paper; tabulating cards; and used cordage; or
 - (2) All paper, paperboard, and fibrous materials that enter and are collected from municipal solid waste; but not
 - (3) Fiber derived from printers' over-runs, converters' scrap, and over-issue publications.

Printed or copied double-sided means printing or reproducing a document so that information is on both sides of a sheet of paper.

Recovered material, for paper and paper products, is defined by EPA in its Comprehensive Procurement Guideline as "recovered fiber" and means the following materials:

- (1) Post consumer fiber; and
- (2) Manufacturing wastes such as-
- (i) Dry paper and paperboard waste generated after completion of the papermaking process (that is, those manufacturing operations up to and including the cutting and trimming of the paper machine reel into smaller rolls or rough sheets) including: envelope cuttings, bindery trimmings, and other paper and paperboard waste resulting from printing, cutting, forming, and other converting operations; bag, box, and carton manufacturing wastes; and butt rolls, mill wrappers, and rejected unused stock; and
- (ii) Repulped finished paper and paperboard from obsolete inventories of paper and paperboard manufacturers, merchants, wholesalers, dealers, printers, converters, or others.
- (b) In accordance with Section 101 of Executive Order 13101 of September 14, 1998, Greening the Government through Waste Prevention, Recycling, and Federal Acquisition, the Contractor is encouraged to submit paper documents, such as offers, letters, or reports, that are printed or copied double-sided on recycled paper that meet minimum content standards specified in Section 505 of Executive Order 13101, when not using electronic commerce methods to submit information or data to the Government.
- (c) If the Contractor cannot purchase high-speed copier paper, offset paper, forms bond, computer printout paper, carbonless paper, file folders, white wove envelopes, writing and office paper, book paper, cotton fiber paper, and cover stock meeting the 30 percent post consumer material standard for use in submitting paper documents to the Government, it should use paper containing no less than 20 percent post consumer material. This lesser standard should be used only when paper meeting the 30 percent post consumer material standard is not obtainable at a reasonable price or does not meet reasonable performance standards.

52.207-5 OPTION TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT (FEB 1995)

(a) The Government may purchase the equipment provided on a lease or rental basis under this contract. The Contracting Officer may exercise this option only by providing a unilateral modification to the Contractor. The effective date of the purchase will be specified in the unilateral modification and may be any time during the period of the contract, including any extensions thereto.

- (b) Except for final payment and transfer of title to the Government, the lease or rental portion of the contract becomes complete and lease or rental charges shall be discontinued on the day immediately preceding the effective date of purchase specified in the unilateral modification required in paragraph (a) of this clause.
- (c) The purchase conversion cost of the equipment shall be computed as of the effective date specified in the unilateral modification required in paragraph (a) of this clause, on the basis of the purchase price set forth in the contract, minus the total purchase option credits accumulated during the period of lease or rental, calculated by the formula contained elsewhere in this contract.
- (d) The accumulated purchase option credits available to determine the purchase conversion cost will also include any credits accrued during a period of lease or rental of the equipment under any previous Government contract if the equipment has been on continuous lease or rental. The movement of equipment from one site to another site shall be "continuous rental."

52.211-16 VARIATION IN QUANTITY (APR 1984)

- (a) A variation in the quantity of any item called for by this contract will not be accepted unless the variation has been caused by conditions of loading, shipping, or packing, or allowances in manufacturing processes, and then only to the extent, if any, specified in paragraph (b) below.
- (b) The permissible variation shall be limited to:
 - 0 percent increase
 - 0 percent decrease

This increase or decrease shall apply to all items.

52.215-20 REQUIREMENTS FOR COST OR PRICING DATA OR INFORMATION OTHER THAN COST OR PRICING DATA (OCT 1997) (ALTERNATE IV—OCT 1997) (VARIATION I—SEP 1999)

- (a) Submission of cost or pricing data is not required.
- (b) Provide information described below:
- (1) An offer prepared and submitted in accordance with the clause at 552.212-70, Preparation of Offer (Multiple Award Schedule):
- (2) Commercial sales practices. The Offeror shall submit information in the format provided in this solicitation in accordance with the instructions at Figure 515.4 of the GSA Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR 515-2); or submit information in the Offeror's own format.
- (3) Any additional supporting information requested by the Contracting Officer. The Contracting Officer may require additional supporting information, but only to the extent necessary to determine whether the price(s) offered is fair and reasonable.
- (4) By submission of an offer in response to this solicitation, the Offeror grants the Contracting Officer or an authorized representative the right to examine, at any time before initial award, books, records, documents, papers, and other directly pertinent records to verify the pricing, sales and other data related to the supplies or services proposed in order to determine the reasonableness of price(s). Access does not extend to offeror's cost or profit information or other data relevant solely to the offeror's determination of the prices to be offered in the catalog or marketplace.

52.215-21 REQUIREMENTS FOR COST OR PRICING DATA OR INFORMATION OTHER THAN COST OR PRICING DATA—MODIFICATIONS (OCT 1997) (ALTERNATE IV—OCT 1997) (VARIATION I—AUG 1997)

- (a) Submission of cost or pricing data is not required.
- (b) Provide information described below.
 - (1) Information required by the clause at 552.243-72, Modifications (Multiple Award Schedule);
- (2) Any additional supporting information requested by the Contracting Officer. The Contracting Officer may require additional supporting information, but only to the extent necessary to determine whether the price(s) offered is fair and reasonable.
- (3) By submitting a request for modification, the Contractor grants the Contracting Officer or an authorized representative the right to examine, at any time before agreeing to a modification, books, records, documents, papers, and other directly pertinent records to verify the pricing, sales and other data related to the supplies or services proposed in order to determine the reasonableness of price(s). Access does not extend to Contractor's cost or profit information or other data relevant solely to the Contractor's determination of the prices to be offered in the catalog or marketplace.

52.215-6 PLACE OF PERFORMANCE (OCT 1997)

- (a) The offeror or respondent, in the performance of any contract resulting from this solicitation, \square intends, \square does not intend [check applicable block] to use one or more plants or facilities located at a different address from the address of the offeror or respondent as indicated in this proposal or response to request for information.
- (b) If the offeror or respondent checks "intends" in paragraph (a) of this provision, it shall insert in the following spaces the required information:

NAME AND ADDRESS OF OWNER AND PLACE OF PERFORMANCE (Street Address, City, State, County, Zip Code)	OPERATOR OF THE PLANT OR FACILITY IF OTHER THAN OFFEROR OR RESPONDENT

52.216-18 ORDERING (OCT 1995) (VARIATION--OCT 1995)

- (a) Any supplies and services to be furnished under this contract shall be ordered by issuance of delivery orders by the individuals or activities designated. Such orders may be issued during the contract term.
- (b) All delivery orders are subject to the terms and conditions of this contract. In the event of conflict between a delivery order and this contract, the contract shall control.
- (c) If mailed, a delivery order is considered "issued" when the Government deposits the order in the mail. Orders may be issued orally or by facsimile, or by electronic commerce methods only if authorized in the contract.

52.216-19 ORDER LIMITATIONS (OCT 1995) (VARIATION I—AUG 1999)

- (a) Minimum order. When the Government requires supplies or services covered by this contract in an amount less than \$100, the Government is not obligated to purchase, nor is the Contractor obligated to furnish those supplies or services under the contract. However, offerors may, if willing to accept smaller orders, specify a smaller amount in their offers. If a smaller amount is offered, it is mutually agreed that the Contractor will accept such orders and specify the smaller minimum order limitation in the applicable catalog/pricelist. If the offeror fails to specify a smaller amount, the Government may place orders for a smaller amount. Such orders shall be deemed to be accepted by the Contractor, unless returned to the ordering office within 5 workdays after receipt by the Contractor.
- (b) Maximum order. The Contractor is not obligated to honor any order for a combination of items in excess of:

ITEM NUMBER/SIN MAXIMUM ORDER

ALL SINs \$1,000,000

- (c) Notwithstanding paragraph (b) above, the Contractor shall honor any order exceeding the maximum orders in paragraph (b), unless that order (or orders) is returned to the ordering office within 5 workdays after receipt, with written notice stating the Contractor's intent not to ship the item (or items) called for and the reasons. Upon receiving this notice, the Government may acquire the supplies or services from another source.
- (d) Notwithstanding paragraph (b) and (c) above, the Contractor shall honor any purchase card orders exceeding the maximum orders in paragraph (b), unless that order (or orders) is returned to the ordering office within 24 hours after receipt, with written notice stating the Contractor's intent not to ship the item (or items) called for and the reasons. Upon receiving this notice, the Government may acquire the supplies or services from another source.

52.216-22 INDEFINITE QUANTITY (OCT 1995) (VARIATION—OCT 1995)

- (a) This is an indefinite-quantity contract for the supplies or services specified, and effective for the period stated. The quantities of supplies and services specified in the contract are estimates only and are not purchased by this contract.
- (b) Delivery or performance shall be made only as authorized by orders issued in accordance with the Ordering clause. The Contractor shall furnish to the Government, when and if ordered, the supplies or services specified in the contract. The Government shall order at least the quantity of supplies or services designated in the contract as the "minimum."
- (c) Except for any limitations on quantities in the Guaranteed Minimum clause or Order Limitations clause, there is no limit on the number of orders that may be issued. The Government may issue orders requiring delivery to multiple destinations or performance at multiple locations.
- (c) Any order issued during the effective period of this contract and not completed within that period shall be completed by the Contractor within the time specified in the order. The contract shall govern the Contractor's and Government's rights and obligations with respect to that order to the same extent as if the order were completed during the contract's effective period.

52.219-16 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES—SUBCONTRACTING PLAN (JAN 1999)

- (a) "Failure to make a good faith effort to comply with the subcontracting plan", as used in this clause, means a willful or intentional failure to perform in accordance with the requirements of the subcontracting plan approved under the clause in this contract entitled "Small Business Subcontracting Plan," or willful or intentional action to frustrate the plan.
- (b) Performance shall be measured by applying the percentage goals to the total actual subcontracting dollars or, if a commercial plan is involved, to the pro rata share of actual subcontracting dollars attributable to Government contracts covered

by the commercial plan. If, at contract completion or, in the case of a commercial plan, at the close of the fiscal year for which the plan is applicable, the Contractor has failed to meet its subcontracting goals and the Contracting Officer decides in accordance with paragraph (c) of this clause that the Contractor failed to make a good faith effort to comply with its subcontracting plan, established in accordance with the clause in this contract entitled "Small Business Subcontracting Plan," the Contractor shall pay the Government liquidated damages in an amount stated. The amount of probable damages attributable to the Contractor's failure to comply shall be an amount equal to the actual dollar amount by which the Contractor failed to achieve each subcontract goal.

- (c) Before the Contracting Officer makes a final decision that the Contractor has failed to make such good faith effort, the Contracting Officer shall give the Contractor written notice specifying the failure and permitting the Contractor to demonstrate what good faith efforts have been made and to discuss the matter. Failure to respond to the notice may be taken as an admission that no valid explanation exists. If, after consideration of all the pertinent data, the Contracting Officer finds that the Contractor failed to make a good faith effort to comply with the subcontracting plan, the Contracting Officer shall issue a final decision to that effect and require that the Contractor pay the Government liquidated damages as provided in paragraph (b) of this clause.
- (d) With respect to commercial plans, the Contracting Officer who approved the plan will perform the functions of the Contracting Officer under this clause on behalf of all agencies with contracts covered by the commercial plan.
- (e) The Contractor shall have the right of appeal, under the clause in this contract entitled Disputes, from any final decision of the Contracting Officer.
- (f) Liquidated damages shall be in addition to any other remedies that the Government may have.

NOTICE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF LABOR DISPUTES (FEB 1997) 52.222-1

If the Contractor has knowledge that any actual or potential labor dispute is delaying or threatens to delay the timely performance of this contract, the Contractor shall immediately give notice, including all relevant information, to the Contracting Officer.

NOTIFICATION OF EMPLOYEE RIGHTS CONCERNING PAYMENT OF UNION DUES OR FEES (DEC 2004) 52.222-39

(a) Definition. As used in this clause--

United States means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Wake Island.

(b) Except as provided in paragraph (e) of this clause, during the term of this contract, the Contractor shall post a notice, in the form of a poster, informing employees of their rights concerning union membership and payment of union dues and fees, in conspicuous places in and about all its plants and offices, including all places where notices to employees are customarily posted. The notice shall include the following information (except that the information pertaining to National Labor Relations Board shall not be included in notices posted in the plants or offices of carriers subject to the Railway Labor Act, as amended (45

Notice to Employees

Under Federal law, employees cannot be required to join a union or maintain membership in a union in order to retain their jobs. Under certain conditions, the law permits a union and an employer to enter into a union-security agreement requiring employees to pay uniform periodic dues and initiation fees. However, employees who are not union members can object to the use of their payments for certain purposes and can only be required to pay their share of union costs relating to collective bargaining, contract administration, and grievance adjustment.

If you do not want to pay that portion of dues or fees used to support activities not related to collective bargaining, contract administration, or grievance adjustment, you are entitled to an appropriate reduction in your payment. If you believe that you have been required to pay dues or fees used in part to support activities not related to collective bargaining, contract administration, or grievance adjustment, you may be entitled to a refund and to an appropriate reduction in future payments.

For further information concerning your rights, you may wish to contact the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) either at one of its Regional offices or at the following address or toll free number:

National Labor Relations Board Division of Information 1099 14th Street, N. W. Washington, DC 20570

To locate the nearest NLRB office, see NLRB's website at

http://www.nlrb.gov.

1-866-667-6572 1-866-316-6572 (TTY)

(c) The Contractor shall comply with all provisions of Executive Order 13201 of February 17, 2001, and related implementing regulations at 29 CFR part 470, and orders of the Secretary of Labor.

(d) In the event that the Contractor does not comply with any of the requirements set forth in paragraphs (b), (c), or (g), the Secretary may direct that this contract be cancelled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part, and declare the Contractor ineligible for further Government contracts in accordance with procedures at 29 CFR part 470, Subpart B--Compliance Evaluations, Complaint Investigations and Enforcement Procedures. Such other sanctions or remedies may be imposed as are provided by 29 CFR part 470, which implements Executive Order 13201, or as are otherwise provided by law.

- (e) The requirement to post the employee notice in paragraph (b) does not apply to-
 - (1) Contractors and subcontractors that employ fewer than 15 persons;
- (2) Contractor establishments or construction work sites where no union has been formally recognized by the Contractor or certified as the exclusive bargaining representative of the Contractor's employees;
- (3) Contractor establishments or construction work sites located in a jurisdiction named in the definition of the United States in which the law of that jurisdiction forbids enforcement of union-security agreements;
- (4) Contractor facilities where upon the written request of the Contractor, the Department of Labor Deputy Assistant Secretary for Labor-Management Programs has waived the posting requirements with respect to any of the Contractor's facilities if the Deputy Assistant Secretary finds that the Contractor has demonstrated that--
- (i) The facility is in all respects separate and distinct from activities of the Contractor related to the performance of a contract; and
 - (ii) Such a waiver will not interfere with or impede the effectuation of the Executive order; or
- (5) Work outside the United States that does not involve the recruitment or employment of workers within the United States.
- (f) The Department of Labor publishes the official employee notice in two variations; one for contractors covered by the Railway Labor Act and a second for all other contractors. The Contractor shall--
- (1) Obtain the required employee notice poster from the Division of Interpretations and Standards, Office of Labor-Management Standards, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room N-5605, Washington, DC 20210, or from any field office of the Department's Office of Labor-Management Standards or Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs;
 - (2) Download a copy of the poster from the Office of Labor-Management Standards website at http://www.olms.dol.gov; or
 - (3) Reproduce and use exact duplicate copies of the Department of Labor's official poster.
- (g) The Contractor shall include the substance of this clause in every subcontract or purchase order that exceeds the simplified acquisition threshold, entered into in connection with this contract, unless exempted by the Department of Labor Deputy Assistant Secretary for Labor-Management Programs on account of special circumstances in the national interest under authority of 29 CFR 470.3(c). For indefinite quantity subcontracts, the Contractor shall include the substance of this clause if the value of orders in any calendar year of the subcontract is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold. Pursuant to 29 CFR part 470, Subpart B--Compliance Evaluations, Complaint Investigations and Enforcement Procedures, the Secretary of Labor may direct the Contractor to take such action in the enforcement of these regulations, including the imposition of sanctions for noncompliance with respect to any such subcontract or purchase order. If the Contractor becomes involved in litigation with a subcontractor or vendor, or is threatened with such involvement, as a result of such direction, the Contractor may request the United States, through the Secretary of Labor, to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

52.223-5 POLLUTION PREVENTION AND RIGHT-TO-KNOW INFORMATION (APR 1998)

- (a) Executive Order 12856 of August 3, 1993, requires Federal facilities to comply with the provisions of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986 (EPCRA) (42 U.S.C. 11001-11050) and the Pollution Prevention Act of 1990 (PPA) (42 U.S.C. 13101-13109).
- (b) The Contractor shall provide all information needed by the Federal facility to comply with the emergency planning reporting requirements of Section 302 of EPCRA; the emergency notice requirements of Section 304 of EPCRA; the list of Material Safety Data Sheets required by Section 311 of EPCRA; the emergency and hazardous chemical inventory forms of Section 312 of EPCRA; the toxic chemical release inventory of Section 313 of EPCRA, which includes the reduction and recycling information required by Section 6607 of PPA; and the toxic chemical reduction goals requirements of Section 3-302 of Executive Order 12856.

52.223-11 OZONE-DEPLETING SUBSTANCES (MAY 2001)

(a) Definitions.

"Ozone-depleting substance," as used in this clause, means any substance the Environmental Protection Agency designates in 40 CFR Part 82 as —

- (1) Class I, including, but not limited to, chlorofluorocarbons, halons, carbon tetrachloride, and methyl chloroform; or
- (2) Class II, including, but not limited to, hydrochlorofluorocarbons.
- (b) The Contractor shall label products which contain or are manufactured with ozone-depleting substances in the manner and to the extent required by 42 U.S.C. 7671j (b), (c), and (d) and 40 CFR Part 82, Subpart E, as follows:

"WARNING: Contains (or manufactured with, if applicable)	,* a substance(s) which harm(s) public health
and environment by destroying ozone in the upper atmosphere."	

* The Contractor shall insert the name of the substance(s).

52.232-17 INTEREST (JUN 1996)

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this contract under a Price Reduction for Defective Cost or Pricing Data clause or a Cost Accounting Standards clause, all amounts that become payable by the Contractor to the Government under this contract (net of

any applicable tax credit under the Internal Revenue Code (26 U.S.C. 1481)) shall bear simple interest from the date due until paid unless paid within 30 days of becoming due. The interest rate shall be the interest rate established by the Secretary of the Treasury as provided in Section 12 of the Contract Disputes Act of 1978 (Public Law 95-563), which is applicable to the period in which the amount becomes due, as provided in paragraph (b) of this clause, and then at the rate applicable for each six-month period as fixed by the Secretary until the amount is paid.

- (b) Amounts shall be due at the earliest of the following dates:
 - (1) The date fixed under this contract.
- (2) The date of the first written demand for payment consistent with this contract, including any demand resulting from a default termination.
- (3) The date the Government transmits to the Contractor a proposed supplemental agreement to confirm completed negotiations establishing the amount of debt.
- (4) If this contract provides for revision of prices, the date of written notice to the Contractor stating the amount of refund payable in connection with a pricing proposal or a negotiated pricing agreement not confirmed by contract modification.
- (c) The interest charge made under this clause may be reduced under the procedures prescribed in 32.614-2 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation in effect on the date of this contract.

52.232-33 PAYMENT BY ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER--CENTRAL CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION (OCT 2003)

- (a) Method of payment.
- (1) All payments by the Government under this contract shall be made by electronic funds transfer (EFT), except as provided in paragraph (a)(2) of this clause. As used in this clause, the term "EFT" refers to the funds transfer and may also include the payment information transfer.
 - (2) In the event the Government is unable to release one or more payments by EFT, the Contractor agrees to either-
 - (i) Accept payment by check or some other mutually agreeable method of payment; or
- (ii) Request the Government to extend the payment due date until such time as the Government can make payment by EFT (but see paragraph (d) of this clause).
- (b) Contractor's EFT information. The Government shall make payment to the Contractor using the EFT information contained in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database. In the event that the EFT information changes, the Contractor shall be responsible for providing the updated information to the CCR database.
- (c) Mechanisms for EFT payment. The Government may make payment by EFT through either the Automated Clearing House (ACH) network, subject to the rules of the National Automated Clearing House Association, or the Fedwire Transfer System. The rules governing Federal payments through the ACH are contained in 31 CFR part 210.
- (d) Suspension of payment. If the Contractor's EFT information in the CCR database is incorrect, then the Government need not make payment to the Contractor under this contract until correct EFT information is entered into the CCR database; and any invoice or contract financing request shall be deemed not to be a proper invoice for the purpose of prompt payment under this contract. The prompt payment terms of the contract regarding notice of an improper invoice and delays in accrual of interest penalties apply.
- (e) Liability for uncompleted or erroneous transfers.
- (1) If an uncompleted or erroneous transfer occurs because the Government used the Contractor's EFT information incorrectly, the Government remains responsible for--
 - (i) Making a correct payment;
 - (ii) Paying any prompt payment penalty due; and
 - (iii) Recovering any erroneously directed funds.
- (2) If an uncompleted or erroneous transfer occurs because the Contractor's EFT information was incorrect, or was revised within 30 days of Government release of the EFT payment transaction instruction to the Federal Reserve System, and--
- (i) If the funds are no longer under the control of the payment office, the Government is deemed to have made payment and the Contractor is responsible for recovery of any erroneously directed funds; or
- (ii) If the funds remain under the control of the payment office, the Government shall not make payment, and the provisions of paragraph (d) of this clause shall apply.
- (f) EFT and prompt payment. A payment shall be deemed to have been made in a timely manner in accordance with the prompt payment terms of this contract if, in the EFT payment transaction instruction released to the Federal Reserve System, the date specified for settlement of the payment is on or before the prompt payment due date, provided the specified payment date is a valid date under the rules of the Federal Reserve System.
- (g) EFT and assignment of claims. If the Contractor assigns the proceeds of this contract as provided for in the assignment of claims terms of this contract, the Contractor shall require as a condition of any such assignment, that the assignee shall register separately in the CCR database and shall be paid by EFT in accordance with the terms of this clause. Notwithstanding any other requirement of this contract, payment to an ultimate recipient other than the Contractor, or a financial institution properly recognized under an assignment of claims pursuant to subpart 32.8, is not permitted. In all respects, the requirements of this clause shall apply to the assignee as if it were the Contractor. EFT information that shows the ultimate recipient of the transfer to be other than the Contractor, in the absence of a proper assignment of claims acceptable to the Government, is incorrect EFT information within the meaning of paragraph (d) of this clause.

- (h) Liability for change of EFT information by financial agent. The Government is not liable for errors resulting from changes to EFT information made by the Contractor's financial agent.
- (i) Payment information. The payment or disbursing office shall forward to the Contractor available payment information that is suitable for transmission as of the date of release of the EFT instruction to the Federal Reserve System. The Government may request the Contractor to designate a desired format and method(s) for delivery of payment information from a list of formats and methods the payment office is capable of executing. However, the Government does not guarantee that any particular format or method of delivery is available at any particular payment office and retains the latitude to use the format and delivery method most convenient to the Government. If the Government makes payment by check in accordance with paragraph (a) of this clause, the Government shall mail the payment information to the remittance address contained in the CCR database.

52.232-37 MULTIPLE PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS (MAY 1999)

This contract or agreement provides for payments to the Contractor through several alternative methods. The applicability of specific methods of payment and the designation of the payment office(s) are either stated--

- (a) Elsewhere in this contract or agreement; or
- (b) In individual orders placed under this contract or agreement.

52.242-12 REPORT OF SHIPMENT (REPSHIP) (JUN 2003) 42.1406-2

- a) Definition. Domestic destination, as used in this clause, means--
 - (1) A destination within the contiguous United States; or
 - (2) If shipment originates in Alaska or Hawaii, a destination in Alaska or Hawaii, respectively.
- (b) Unless otherwise directed by the Contracting Officer, the Contractor shall--
 - (1) Send a prepaid notice of shipment to the consignee transportation officer--
 - (i) For all shipments of--
 - (A) Classified material, protected sensitive, and protected controlled material;
 - (B) Explosives and poisons, classes A and B;
 - (C) Radioactive materials requiring the use of a III bar label; or
- (ii) When a truckload/carload shipment of supplies weighing 20,000 pounds or more, or a shipment of less weight that occupies the full visible capacity of a railway car or motor vehicle, is given to any carrier (common, contract or private) for transportation to a domestic destination (other than a port for export):
- (2) Transmit the notice by rapid means to be received by the consignee transportation officer at least 24 hours before the arrival of the shipment; and
- (3) Send, to the receiving transportation officer, the Government bill of lading, commercial bill of lading or letter or other document containing the following information and prominently identified as a "Report of Shipment" or "REPSHIP FOR T.O." Message Example:

REPSHIP FOR T.O. 81 JUN 01
TRANSPORTATION OFFICER DEFENSE DEPOT, MEMPHIS, TENN.
SHIPPED YOUR DEPOT 1981 JUN 1 540 CTNS MENS COTTON TROUSERS,
30,240 LB, 1782 CUBE, VIA XX-YY*
IN CAR NO. XX 123456**-GBL***-C98000031**** CONTRACT DLA _____
ETA*****-JUNE 5 JONES & CO., JERSEY CITY, N.J.

- * Name of rail carrier, trucker, or other carrier.
- ** Vehicle identification.
- *** Government bill of lading.
- **** If not shipped by GBL, identify lading document and state whether paid by contractor.
- *****Estimated time of arrival.

52.242-13 BANKRUPTCY (JUL 1995)

In the event the Contractor enters into proceedings relating to bankruptcy, whether voluntary or involuntary, the Contractor agrees to furnish, by certified mail or electronic commerce method authorized by the contract, written notification of the bankruptcy to the Contracting Officer responsible for administering the contract. This notification shall be furnished within five days of the initiation of the proceedings relating to bankruptcy filing. This notification shall include the date on which the bankruptcy petition was filed, the identity of the court in which the bankruptcy petition was filed, and a listing of Government contract numbers and contracting offices for all Government contracts against which final payment has not been made. This obligation remains in effect until final payment under this contract.

52.247-1 COMMERCIAL BILL OF LADING NOTATIONS (APR 1984)

If the Contracting Officer authorizes supplies to be shipped on a commercial bill of lading and the Contractor will be reimbursed these transportation costs as direct allowable costs, the Contractor shall ensure before shipment is made that the commercial shipping documents are annotated with either of the following notations, as appropriate:

- (a) If the Government is shown as the consignor or the consignee, the annotation shall be: "Transportation is for the government and the actual total transportation charges paid to the carrier(s) by the consignor or consignee are assignable to, and shall be reimbursed by, the Government."
- (b) If the Government is not shown as the consignor or the consignee, the annotation shall be: "Transportation is for the _____ and the actual total transportation charges paid to the carrier(s) by the consignor or consignee shall be reimbursed by the Government, pursuant to cost-reimbursement contract No. _____. This may be confirmed by contacting ____."

F-FSS-3FN-220 F.O.B. ORIGIN, FREIGHT PREPAID AND ADDED TO THE INVOICE (March 1995)

- (a) The term "f.o.b. origin, freight prepaid," as used in this clause, means --
 - (1) Free of expense to the Government delivered --
- (i) On board the indicated type of conveyance of the carrier (or of the Government, if specified) at a designated point in the city, county, and State from which the shipments will be made and from which line-haul transportation service (as distinguished from switching, local drayage, or other terminal service) will begin;
- (ii) To, and placed on, the carrier's wharf (at ship-side, within reach of the ship's loading tackle, when the shipping point is within a port area having water transportation service) or the carrier's freight station;
 - (iii) To a U.S. Postal Service facility; or
- (iv) If stated in the solicitation, to any Government-designated point located within the same city or commercial zone as the f.o.b. origin point specified in the contract (commercial zones are prescribed by the Interstate Commerce Commission at 49 CFR 1048); and
- (2) The cost of transportation, ultimately the Government's obligation, is prepaid by the Contractor to the point specified in the contract. The government shall be billed only for the actual freight charges paid by the contractor, inclusive of any discounts given to the contractor by the carrier.
- (b) The Contractor shall --
 - (1) (i) Pack and mark the shipment to comply with contract specifications; or
- (ii) In the absence of specifications, prepare the shipment in conformance with carrier requirements to protect the goods and to ensure assessment of the lowest applicable transportation charge;
 - (2) (i) Order specified carrier equipment when requested by the Government; or
 - (ii) If not specified, order appropriate carrier equipment not in excess of capacity to accommodate shipment;
- (3) Deliver the shipment in good order and condition to the carrier, and load, stow, trim, block, and/or brace carload or truckload shipment (when loaded by the Contractor) on or in the carrier's conveyance as required by carrier rules and regulations;
 - (4) Be responsible for any loss of and/or damage to the goods -
 - (i) Occurring before receipt of the shipment by the consignee at the delivery point specified in the delivery order;
- (ii) While the government will file a freight claim against the carrier in cases of obvious or concealed damage or loss, the contractor will be responsible for replacing the item(s) if there is an unresolved dispute between the carrier and the contractor.
 - (iii) Resulting from improper packing or marking; or
- (iv) Resulting from improper loading, stowing, trimming, blocking, and/or bracing of the shipment, if loaded by the Contractor on or in the carrier's conveyance:
 - (5) Prepare a commercial bill of lading or other transportation receipt. The bill of lading shall show --
- (i) A description of the shipment in terms of the governing freight classification or tariff (or Government rate tender) under which lowest freight rates are applicable;
 - (ii) The seals affixed to the conveyance with their serial numbers or other identification;
 - (iii) Lengths and capacities of cars or trucks ordered and furnished;
- (iv) Other pertinent information required to effect prompt delivery to the consignee, including name, delivery address, postal address and ZIP code of consignee, routing, etc.;
- (v) Special instructions or annotations requested by the ordering agency for commercial bills of lading; e.g., (A) "to be converted to a Government bill of lading," or (B) "this shipment is the property of, and the freight charges paid to the carrier(s) will be reimbursed by, the Government"; and
 - (vi) The signature of the carrier's agent and the date the shipment is received by the carrier;
 - (6) Distribute the copies of the bill of lading, or other transportation receipts, as directed by the ordering agency; and
 - (7) Prepay all freight charges to the extent specified in the contract.
- (c) These Contractor responsibilities are specified for performance at the plant or plants at which these supplies are to be finally inspected and accepted, unless the facilities for shipment by carrier's equipment are not available at the Contractor's plant, in which case the responsibilities shall be performed f.o.b. the point or points in the same or nearest city where the specified carrier's facilities are available; subject, however, to the following qualifications:
- (1) If the Contractor's shipping plant is located in the State of Alaska or Hawaii, the Contractor shall deliver the supplies listed for shipment outside Alaska or Hawaii to the port of loading in Alaska or Hawaii, respectively, as specified in the contract, at Contractor's expense, and to that extent the contract shall be "f.o.b. destination."

- (2) Notwithstanding subparagraph (c)(1) of this clause, if the Contractor's shipping plant is located in the State of Hawaii, and the contract requires delivery to be made by container service, the Contractor shall deliver the supplies, at the Contractor's expense to the container yard in the same or nearest city where seavan container service is available.
- (d) Notwithstanding the terms of this clause, the government reserves the right to issue a Government Bill of Lading (GBL) at its discretion.

52.247-38 F.O.B. INLAND CARRIER, POINT OF EXPORTATION (APR 1984)

- (a) The term "f.o.b. inland carrier, point of exportation," as used in this clause, means free of expense to the Government, on board the conveyance of the inland carrier, delivered to the specified point of exportation.
- (b) The Contractor shall—
 - (1) (i) Pack and mark the shipment to comply with contract specifications; or
- (ii) In the absence of specifications, prepare the shipment for ocean transportation in conformance with carrier requirements to protect the goods and to ensure assessment of the lowest applicable transportation charge;
 - (2) Prepare and distribute commercial bills of lading;
- (3) (i) Deliver the shipment in good order and condition in or on the conveyance of the carrier on the date or within the period specified; and
 - (ii) Pay and bear all applicable charges, including transportation costs, to the point of delivery specified in the contract;
- (4) Be responsible for any loss of and/or damage to the goods occurring before delivery of the shipment to the point of delivery in the contract; and
- (5) At the Government's request and expense, assist in obtaining the documents required for (i) exportation or (ii) importation at destination.

52.247-39 F.O.B. INLAND POINT, COUNTRY OF IMPORTATION (APR 1984)

- (a) The term "f.o.b. inland point, country of importation," as used in this clause, means free of expense to the Government, on board the indicated type of conveyance of the carrier, delivered to the specified inland point where the consignee's facility is located.
- (b) The Contractor shall—
 - (1) (i) Pack and mark the shipment to comply with contract specifications; or
- (ii) In the absence of specifications, prepare the shipment for ocean transportation in conformance with carrier requirements to protect the goods;
- (2) (i) Deliver, in or on the inland carrier's conveyance, the shipment in good order and condition to the specified inland point where the consignee's facility is located; and
- (ii) Pay and bear all applicable charges incurred up to the point of delivery, including transportation costs; export, import, or other fees or taxes; costs of landing; wharfage costs; customs duties and costs of certificates of origin; consular invoices; and other documents that may be required for importation; and
- (3) Be responsible for any loss of and/or damage to the goods until their arrival on or in the carrier's conveyance at the specified inland point.

52.247-58 LOADING, BLOCKING, AND BRACING OF FREIGHT CAR AND TRAILER-ON-FLAT CAR (PIGGYBACK) SHIPMENTS (DEVIATION—OCT 1984)

- (a) Upon receipt of shipping instructions, as provided in this contract, the supplies to be included in any freight carload or trailer load (piggyback) shipment by rail shall be loaded, blocked, and braced by the Contractor in accordance with the standards published by the Association of American Railroads and effective at the time of shipment.
- (b) Shipments, for which the Association of American Railroads has published no such standards, shall be loaded, blocked, and braced in accordance with standards established by the shipper as evidenced by written acceptance of an authorized representative of the carrier.
- (c) The Contractor shall be liable for payment of any damage to any supplies caused by the failure to load, block, and brace in accordance with acceptable standards set forth herein.
- (d) A copy of the appropriate pamphlet of the Association of American Railroads may be obtained from that Association.

52.252-2 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FEB 1998)

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at http://www.arnet.gov/GSAM/gsam.html.

For contract clauses which are contained in the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) the address is http://www.arnet.gov/far/.

52.253-1 COMPUTER GENERATED FORMS (JAN 1991) 53.111

- (a) Any data required to be submitted on a Standard or Optional Form prescribed by the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) may be submitted on a computer generated version of the form, provided there is no change to the name, content, or sequence of the data elements on the form, and provided the form carries the Standard or Optional Form number and edition date.
- (b) Unless prohibited by agency regulations, any data required to be submitted on an agency unique form prescribed by an agency supplement to the FAR may be submitted on a computer generated version of the form provided there is no change to the name, content, or sequence of the data elements on the form and provided the form carries the agency form number and edition date.
- (c) If the Contractor submits a computer generated version of a form that is different than the required form, then the rights and obligations of the parties will be determined based on the content of the required form.

552.211-74 CHARGES FOR MARKING (FEB 1996)

The rate provided for in paragraph (b) of 48 CFR 552.211-73, Marking, is \$40.00 per man-hour or fraction thereof.

552.211-75 PRESERVATION, PACKAGING, AND PACKING (FEB 1996)

Unless otherwise specified, all items shall be preserved, packaged, and packed in accordance with normal commercial practices, as defined in the applicable commodity specification. Packaging and packing shall comply with the requirements of the Uniform Freight Classification and the National Motor Freight Classification (issue in effect at time of shipment) and each shipping container of each item in a shipment shall be of uniform size and content, except for residual quantities. Where special or unusual packing is specified in an order, but not specifically provided for by the contract, such packing details must be the subject of an agreement independently arrived at between the ordering agency and the Contractor.

552.211-76 CHARGES FOR PACKAGING AND PACKING (FEB 1996)

If supplies shipped to a GSA distribution center are not packaged and packed in accordance with contract requirements, the Government has the right, without prior notice to the Contractor, to perform the required repackaging/repacking, by contract or otherwise, and charge the Contractor therefor at the rate of \$40.00 per man-hour or fraction thereof. The Contractor will also be charged for material costs, if incurred. This right is not exclusive, and is in addition to other rights or remedies provided for in this contract.

552.211-77 PACKING LIST (FEB 1996)

- (a) A packing list or other suitable shipping document shall accompany each shipment and shall indicate: (1) Name and address of consignor; (2) Name and complete address of consignee; (3) Government order or requisition number; (4) Government bill of lading number covering the shipment (if any); and (5) Description of the material shipped, including item number, quantity, number of containers, and package number (if any).
- (b) When payment will be made by Government commercial credit card, in addition to the information in (a) above, the packing list or shipping document shall include: (1) Cardholder name and telephone number and (2) the term "Credit Card."

552.211-78 COMMERCIAL DELIVERY SCHEDULE (MULTIPLE AWARD SCHEDULE) (FEB 1996)

(a) <u>Time of Delivery</u>. The Contractor shall deliver to destination within the number of calendar days after receipt of order (ARO) in the case of F.O.B. Destination prices; or to place of shipment in transit in the case of F.O.B. Origin prices, as set forth below. Offerors shall insert in the "Time of Delivery (days ARO)" column in the schedule of Items a definite number of calendar days within which delivery will be made. In no case shall the offered delivery time exceed the Contractor's normal commercial practice. The Government requires the Contractor's normal commercial delivery time, as long as it is less than the "stated" delivery time(s) shown below. If the Offeror does not insert a delivery time in the schedule of items, the Offeror will be deemed to offer delivery in accordance with the Government's stated delivery time, as stated below:

ITEMS OR GROUP OF ITEMS (Special item No. or nomenclature)	GOVERNMENT'S STATED DELIVERY TIME (Days ARO)	CONTRACTOR'S NORMAL COMMERCIAL DELIVERY TIME	
ΔΙΙ	90 DAYS OR LESS		

(b) Expedited Delivery Times. For those items that can be delivered quicker than the delivery times in paragraph (a), above, the Offeror is requested to insert below, a time (hours/days ARO) that delivery can be made when expedited delivery is requested.

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ITEM OR GROUP OF ITEMS (special (Special Item No. of nomenclature)	Expedited delivery time (Hours/Days ARO)

(c) Overnight and 2-Day Delivery Times. Ordering activities may require overnight or 2—day delivery. The Offeror is requested to annotate its price list or by separate attachment identify the items that can be delivered overnight or within 2 days. Contractors offering such delivery services will be required to state in the cover sheet to its FSS price list details concerning this service.

552.211-82 NOTICE OF SHIPMENT (FEB 1996)

If specified in an order placed under this contract, the Contractor shall, at the time each shipment is made on such order, furnish a notice of shipment to either the consignee or the ordering office or both, as specified. This requirement may be satisfied by completion and return of appropriate forms furnished by the ordering office or by the furnishing of copies of bills of lading, freight bills, or similar documents in accordance with normal commercial practice if such document clearly identifies the order number, items and quantities shipped, date of shipment, point of origin, method of shipment and routing, and the name of initial carrier.

552.212-71 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO GSA ACQUISITION OF COMMERCIAL ITEMS (JUL 2003)

The Contractor agrees to comply with any provision or clause that is incorporated herein by reference to implement agency policy applicable to acquisition of commercial items or components. The provision or clause in effect based on the applicable regulation cited on the date the solicitation is issued applies unless otherwise stated herein. The following provisions and clauses are incorporated by reference:

(a)	Provisions.	
	552.237-70	Qualifications of Offerors
(b)	Clauses.	
	552.203-71	Restriction on Advertising
	552.211-73	Marking
	552.215-70	Examination of Records by GSA
	552.215-71	-
	552.215-72	• • • •
	552.219-70	Allocation of OrdersPartially Set-Aside Items
	552.228-70	Workers' Compensation Laws
	552.229-70	Federal, State, and Local Taxes
	552.232-8	Discounts for Prompt Payment
	552.232-23	Assignment of Claims
	552.232-71	Adjusting Payments
	552.232-72	Final Payment
	552.232-73	Availability of Funds
	552.237-71	Qualifications of Employees
	552.238-71	Submission and Distribution of Authorized FSS Schedule Price List
	552.232-78	Payment Information
	552.238-74	Industrial Funding Fee and Sales Reporting
	552.238-75	Price Reductions
	552.242-70	Status Report of Orders and Shipments
	552.243-72	Modifications (Multiple Award Schedule)
	552.246-73	WarrantyMultiple Award Schedule
	552.246-76	Warranty of Pesticides

552.212-72 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT STATUTES OR EXECUTIVE ORDERS APPLICABLE TO GSA ACQUISITION OF COMMERCIAL ITEMS (SEP 2003)

The Contractor agrees to comply with any provision or clause that is incorporated herein by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive Orders applicable to acquisition of commercial items or components. The provision or clause in effect based on the applicable regulation cited on the date the solicitation is issued applies unless otherwise stated herein. The following provisions and clauses are incorporated by reference:

(a) Provisions.

552.223-72 Hazardous Material Information

(b) Clauses.

552.223-70 Hazardous Substances

552.223-71 Nonconforming Hazardous Material

552.238-70 Identification of Electronic Office Equipment Providing Accessibility for the Handicapped

552.238-72 Identification of Products That Have Environmental Attributes

552.216-70 ECONOMIC PRICE ADJUSTMENT—FSS MULTIPLE AWARD SCHEDULE CONTRACTS (SEP 1999) (ALTERNATE I—SEP 1999)

Price adjustments include price increases and price decreases. Adjustments will be considered as follows:

- (a) Contractors shall submit price decreases anytime during the contract period in which they occur. Price decreases will be handled in accordance with the provisions of the Price Reduction Clause.
- (b) Contractors may request price increases to be effective on or after the first 12 months of the contract period providing all of the following conditions are met:
- (1) Increases resulting from a reissue or other modification of the Contractor's commercial catalog/pricelist that was used as the basis for the contract award.
- (2) No more than three increases will be considered during each succeeding 12-month period of the contract.(For succeeding contract periods of less than 12 months, up to three increases will be considered subject to the other conditions of this subparagraph (b)).
 - (3) Increases are requested before the last 60 days of the contract period.
 - (4) At least 30 days elapse between requested increases.
- (c) In any contract period during which price increases will be considered, the aggregate of the increases during any 12-month period shall not exceed 10 percent of the contract unit price in effect at the end of the preceding 12-month period. The Government reserves the right to raise the ceiling when market conditions during the contract period support such a change.
- (d) The following material shall be submitted with the request for a price increase:
 - (1) A copy of the commercial catalog/pricelist showing the price increase and the effective date for commercial customers.
- (2) Commercial Sales Practice format regarding the Contractor's commercial pricing practice relating to the reissued or modified catalog/price- list, or a certification that no change has occurred in the data since completion of the initial negotiation or a subsequent submission.
 - (3) Documentation supporting the reasonableness of the price increase.
- (e) The Government reserves the right to exercise one of the following options:
 - (1) Accept the Contractor's price increases as requested when all conditions of (b), (c), and (d) of this clause are satisfied;
- (2) Negotiate more favorable discounts from the new commercial prices when the total increase requested is not supported; or,
- (3) Remove the product(s) from contract involved pursuant to the Cancellation Clause of this contract, when the increase requested is not supported.
- (f) The contract modification reflecting the price adjustment shall be signed by the Government and made effective upon receipt of notification from the Contractor that the new catalog/pricelist has been mailed to the addressees previously furnished by the Contracting Officer, provided that in no event shall such price adjustment be effective prior to the effective date of the commercial price increases. The increased contract prices shall apply to delivery orders issued to the Contractor on or after the effective date of the contract modification.

552.216-72 PLACEMENT OF ORDERS (SEP 1999) (ALTERNATE II—SEP 1999)

- (a) The organizations listed below may place orders under this contract. Questions regarding organizations authorized to use this schedule should be directed to the Contracting Officer.
 - (1) Executive agencies.
 - (2) Other Federal Agencies.
 - (3) Mixed-ownership Government corporations.
 - (4) The District of Columbia.
 - (5) Government Contractors authorized in writing by a Federal agency pursuant to 48 CFR 51.1.
 - (6) Other activities and organizations authorized by statute or regulation to use GSA as a source of supply.
- (b) Orders may be placed through Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) or mailed in paper form. EDI orders shall be placed using the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) X12 Standard for Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) format.
- (c) If the Contractor agrees, GSA's Federal Supply Service (FSS) will place all orders by EDI using computer-to-computer EDI. If computer-to-computer EDI is not possible, FSS will use an alternative EDI method allowing the Contractor to receive orders by facsimile transmission. Subject to the Contractor's agreement, other agencies may place orders by EDI.
- (d) When computer-to-computer EDI procedures will be used to place orders, the Contractor shall enter into one or more Trading Partner Agreements (TPA) with each Federal agency placing orders electronically in order to ensure mutual understanding by the parties of certain electronic transaction conventions and to recognize the rights and responsibilities of the parties as they apply to this method of placing orders. The TPA must identify, among other things, the third party provider(s)

through which electronic orders are placed, the transaction sets used, security procedures, and guidelines for implementation. Federal agencies may obtain a sample format to customize as needed from the office specified in (g) below.

- (e) The Contractor shall be responsible for providing its own hardware and software necessary to transmit and receive data electronically. Additionally, each party to the TPA shall be responsible for the costs associated with its use of third party provider services.
- (f) Nothing in the TPA will invalidate any part of this contract between the Contractor and the General Services Administration. All terms and conditions of this contract that otherwise would be applicable to a mailed order shall apply to the electronic order.
- (g) The basic content and format of the TPA will be provided by:

General Services Administration Acquisition Operations and Electronic Commerce Center (FCS) Washington, DC 20406 Telephone: (703) 305-7741

	FAX:	(703) 305-7720							
(a)	In accor eral Sup	ORDERING INF dance with the Pl oply Service (FSS	lacement of Oi	rders clause of t	his solicitation, tl	ne offeror elects			
		or electing to rec e representative t					the name, addr	ess, and telep	hone
		or electing to rec nsmission equipm				sted to indicate I	pelow the teleph	hone number(s) foı
(d) mail		led orders, the of	fferor is reque:	sted to include t	the postal mailin	g address(es) w	here paper forr	n orders shou	ld be
	Offerors	marketing throu	gh dealers ar	e requested to	indicate below	whether those d	lealers will be	participating i	n the
		YES 🗌		NO 🗌					

If "yes" is checked, ordering information to be inserted above shall reflect that in addition to offeror's name, address, and facsimile transmission telephone number, orders can be addressed to the offeror's name, c/o nearest local dealer. In this event, two copies of a list of participating dealers shall accompany this offer, and shall also be included in Contractor's Federal Supply Schedule pricelist.

552.229-71 FEDERAL EXCISE TAX—DC GOVERNMENT (SEP 1999)

If the District of Columbia cites an Internal Revenue Tax Exempt Certificate Number on orders placed under this contract, the Contractor shall bill shipments to the District of Columbia at prices exclusive of Federal excise tax and show the amount of such tax on the invoice.

552.232-74 INVOICE PAYMENTS (SEP 1999)

- (a) The due date for making invoice payments by the designated payment office is:
- (1) For orders placed electronically by the General Services Administration (GSA) Federal Supply Service (FSS), and to be paid by GSA through electronic funds transfer (EFT), the later of the following two events:
- (i) The 10th day after the designated billing office receives a proper invoice from the Contractor. If the designated billing office fails to annotate the invoice with the date of receipt at the time of receipt, the invoice payment due date shall be the 10th day after the date of the Contractor's invoice; provided the Contractor submitted a proper invoice and no disagreement exists over quantity, quality, or Contractor compliance with contract requirements.
 - (ii) The 10th day after Government acceptance of supplies delivered or services performed by the Contractor.
 - (2) For all other orders, the later of the following two events:
- (i) The 30th day after the designated billing office receives a proper invoice from the Contractor. If the designated billing office fails to annotate the invoice with the date of receipt at the time of receipt, the invoice payment due date shall be the 30th day after the date of the Contractor's invoice; provided the Contractor submitted a proper invoice and no disagreement exists over quantity, quality, or Contractor compliance with contract requirements.
 - (ii) The 30th day after Government acceptance of supplies delivered or services performed by the Contractor.
- (3) On a final invoice, if the payment amount is subject to contract settlement actions, acceptance occurs on the effective date of the contract settlement.
- (b) The General Services Administration will issue payment on the due date in (a)(1) above if the Contractor complies with full cycle electronic commerce. Full cycle electronic commerce includes all the following elements:
 - (1) The Contractor must receive and fulfill electronic data interchange (EDI) purchase orders (transaction set 850).
- (2) The Contractor must generate and submit to the Government valid EDI invoices (transaction set 810) or submit invoices through the GSA Finance Center Internet-based invoice process. Internet-based invoices must be submitted using procedures provided by GSA.
- (3) The Contractor's financial institution must receive and process, on behalf of the Contractor, EFT payments through the Automated Clearing House (ACH) system.
 - (4) The EDI transaction sets in (b)(1) through (b)(3) above must adhere to implementation conventions provided by GSA.
- (c) If any of the conditions in (b) above do not occur, the 10 day payment due dates in (a)(1) become 30 day payment due dates.
- (d) Notwithstanding paragraph (g) of the clause at FAR 52.212-4, Contract Terms and Conditions--Commercial Items, if the Contractor submits hard-copy invoices, submit only an original invoice. No copies of the invoice are required.
- (e) All other provisions of the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C. 3901 et seq.) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-125, Prompt Payment, apply.

552.232-77 PAYMENT BY GOVERNMENT COMMERCIAL PURCHASE CARD (MAR 2000) (ALTERNATE I—MAR 2000)

(a) Definitions.

"Governmentwide commercial purchase card" means a uniquely numbered credit card issued by a contractor under GSA's Governmentwide Contract for Fleet, Travel, and purchase Card Services to named individual Government employees or entities to pay for official Government purchases.

"Oral order" means an order placed orally either in person or by telephone.

- (b) The Contractor must accept the Governmentwide commercial purchase card for payments equal to or less than the micropurchase threshold (see Federal Acquisition Regulation 2.101) for oral or written orders under this contract.
- (c) The Contractor and the ordering agency may agree to use the Governmentwide commercial purchase card for dollar amounts over the micro-purchase threshold, and the Government encourages the Contractor to accept payment by the purchase card. The dollar value of a purchase card action must not exceed the ordering agency's established limit. If the Contractor will not accept payment by the purchase card for an order exceeding the micro-purchase threshold, the Contractor must so advise the ordering agency within 24 hours of receipt of the order.
- (d) The Contractor shall not process a transaction for payment through the credit card clearinghouse until the purchased supplies have been shipped or services performed. Unless the cardholder requests correction or replacement of a defective or faulty item under other contract requirements, the Contractor must immediately credit a cardholder's account for items returned as defective or faulty.
- (e) Payments made using the Governmentwide commercial purchase card are not eligible for any negotiated prompt payment discount. Payment made using a Government debit card will receive the applicable prompt payment discount.

552.232-82 CONTRACTOR'S REMITTANCE (PAYMENT) ADDRESS (MAY 2003)

(a) Payment by electronic funds transfer (EFT) is the preferred method of payment. However, under certain conditions, the ordering activity may elect to make payment by check. The offeror shall indicate below the payment address to which checks should be mailed for payment of proper invoices submitted under a resultant contract.

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- (b) Offeror shall furnish by attachment to this solicitation, the remittance (payment) addresses of all authorized participating dealers receiving orders and accepting payment by check in the name of the Contractor in care of the dealer, if different from their ordering address(es) specified elsewhere in this solicitation. If a dealer's ordering and remittance address differ, both must be furnished and identified as such.
- (c) All offerors are cautioned that if the remittance (payment) address shown on an actual invoice differs from hat shown in paragraph (b) of this provision or on the attachment, the remittance address(es) in paragraph (b) of this provision or attached will govern. Payment to any other address, except as provided for through EFT payment methods, will require an administrative change to the contract.

Note: All orders placed against a Federal Supply Schedule contract are to be paid by the individual ordering activity placing the order. Each order will cite the appropriate ordering activity payment address, and proper invoices should be sent to that address. Proper invoices should be sent to GSA only for orders placed by GSA. Any other ordering activity's invoices sent to GSA will only delay your payment.

552.232-83 CONTRACTOR'S BILLING RESPONSIBILITIES (MAY2003)

The Contractor is required to perform all billings made pursuant to this contract. However, if the Contractor has dealers that participate on the contract and the billing/payment process by the Contractor for sales made by the dealer is a significant administrative burden, the following alternative procedures may be used. Where dealers are allowed by the Contractor to bill ordering activities and accept payment in the Contractor's name, the Contractor agrees to obtain from all dealers participating in the performance of the contract a written agreement, which will require dealers to

- (1) Comply with the same terms and conditions regarding prices as the Contractor for sales made under the contract;
- (2) Maintain a system of reporting sales under the contract to the manufacturer, which includes
 - (i) The date of sale;
 - (ii) The ordering activity to which the sale was made;
 - (iii) The service or product/model sold;
 - (iv) The quantity of each service or product/model sold;
 - (v) The price at which it was sold, including discounts; and
 - (vi) All other significant sales data.
- (3) Be subject to audit by the Government, with respect to sales made under the contract; and
- (4) Place orders and accept payments in the name of the Contractor in care of the dealer.

An agreement between a Contractor and its dealers pursuant to this procedure will not establish privity of contract between dealers and the Government.

552.238-71 SUBMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION OF AUTHORIZED FSS SCHEDULE PRICELISTS (SEP 1999) (DEVIATION)

- (a) Definition. For the purposes of this clause, the Mailing List is 00SC 7191.
- (b) The Contracting Officer will return one copy of the items awarded with the notification of contract award.
- (c) (1) The Contractor shall provide to the GSA Contracting Officer:
 - (i) Two paper copies of Authorized FSS Schedule Pricelist; and
- (ii) The Authorized FSS Schedule Pricelist on a common-use electronic medium. The Contracting Officer will provide detailed instructions for the electronic submission with the award notification. Some structured data entry in a prescribed format may be required.
 - (2) The Contractor shall provide to each addressee on the mailing list either:
 - (i) One paper copy of the Authorized FSS Schedule Price List; or
- (ii) A self-addressed, postage-paid envelope or postcard to be returned by addressees that want to receive a paper copy of the pricelist. The Contractor shall distribute price lists within 20 calendar days after receipt of returned requests.
- (3) The Contractor shall advise each addressee of the availability of pricelist information through the on-line Multiple Award Schedule electronic data base.
- (d) The Contractor shall make all of the distributions required in paragraph (c) at least 15 calendar days before the beginning of the contract period, or within 30 calendar days after receipt of the Contracting Officer's approval for printing, whichever is later.
- (e) During the period of the contract, the Contractor shall provide one copy of its Authorized FSS Schedule Pricelist to any authorized schedule user, upon request. Use of the mailing list for any other purpose is not authorized.

552.238-72 IDENTIFICATION OF PRODUCTS THAT HAVE ENVIRONMENTAL ATTRIBUTES (SEP 2003)

- (a) Several laws, Executive orders and Agency directives require Federal buyers to purchase products that are less harmful to the environment, when they are life cycle cost-effective (see FAR Subpart 23.7). The U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) requires contractors to highlight environmental products under Federal Supply Service schedule contracts in various communications media (e.g., publications and electronic formats).
- (b) Definitions. As used in this clause --

Energy-efficient product means a product that--

- (1) Meets Department of Energy and Environmental Protection Agency criteria for use of the ENERGY STAR [reg] trademark label; or
- (2) Is in the upper 25 percent of efficiency for all similar products as designated by the Department of Energy's Federal Energy Management Program.

GSA Advantage! is an on-line shopping mall and ordering system that provides customers with access to products and services under GSA contracts.

Other environmental attributes refers to product characteristics that provide environmental benefits, excluding recovered materials and energy and water efficiency. Several examples of these characteristics are biodegradable, recyclable, reduced pollutants, ozone safe, and low volatile organic compounds (VOCs).

Post-consumer material means a material or finished product that has served its intended use and has been discarded for disposal or recovery, having completed its life as a consumer item. Post-consumer material is part of the broader category of "recovered material." The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has developed a list of EPA-designated products in their Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines (CPGs) to provide Federal agencies with purchasing recommendations on specific products in a Recovered Materials Advisory Notice (RMAN). The RMAN contains recommended recovered and post-consumer material content levels for the specific products designated by EPA (40 CFR part 247 and http://www.epa.gov/cpg/).

Recovered materials means waste materials and by-products recovered or diverted from solid waste, but the term does not include those materials and by-products generated from, and commonly reused within, an original manufacturing process (Executive Order 13101 and 42 U.S.C. 6903 (19) and http://www.epa.gov/cpg/). For paper and paper products, see the definition at FAR 11.301 (42 U.S.C. 6962 (h)).

Remanufactured means factory rebuilt to original specifications.

Renewable energy means energy produced by solar, wind, geothermal, and biomass power.

Renewable energy technology means--

- (1) Technologies that use renewable energy to provide light, heat, cooling, or mechanical or electrical energy for use in facilities or other activities; or
- (2) The use of integrated whole-building designs that rely upon renewable energy resources, including passive solar design.
- (c) (1) The offeror must identify products that--
- (i) Are compliant with the recovered and post-consumer material content levels recommended in the Recovered Materials Advisory Notices (RMANs) for EPA-designated products in the CPG program (http://www.epa.gov/cpg/);
- (ii) Contain recovered materials that either do not meet the recommended levels in the RMANs or are not EPA-designated products in the CPG program (see FAR 23.401 and http://www.epa.gov/cpg/);
- (iii) Are energy-efficient, as defined by either ENERGY STAR [reg] and/or FEMP's designated top 25th percentile levels (see ENERGY STAR [reg] at http://www.energystar.gov/ and FEMP at http://www.eere.energy.gov/);
 - (iv) Are water-efficient;
 - (v) Use renewable energy technology;
 - (vi) Are remanufactured; and
 - (vii) Have other environmental attributes.
 - (2) These identifications must be made in each of the offeror's following mediums:
 - (i) The offer itself.
 - (ii) Printed commercial catalogs, brochures, and pricelists.
 - (iii) Online product website.
- (iv) Electronic data submission for GSA Advantage! submitted via GSA's Schedules Input Program (SIP) software or the Electronic Data Inter-change (EDI). Offerors can use the SIP or EDI methods to indicate environmental and other attributes for each product that is translated into respective icons in GSA Advantage!.
- (d) An offeror, in identifying an item with an environmental attribute, must possess evidence or rely on a reasonable basis to substantiate the claim (see 16 CFR part 260, Guides for the Use of Environmental Marketing Claims). The Government will accept an offeror's claim of an item's environmental attribute on the basis of--

- (1) Participation in a Federal agency-sponsored program (e.g., the EPA and DOE ENERGY STAR [reg] product labeling program);
 - (2) Verification by an independent organization that specializes in certifying such claims; or
- (3) Possession of competent and reliable evidence. For any test, analysis, research, study, or other evidence to be "competent and reliable," it must have been conducted and evaluated in an objective manner by persons qualified to do so, using procedures generally accepted in the profession to yield accurate and reliable results.

552.238-73 CANCELLATION (SEP 1999)

Either party may cancel this contract in whole or in part by providing written notice. The cancellation will take effect 30 calendar days after the other party receives the notice of cancellation. If the Contractor elects to cancel this contract, the Government will not reimburse the minimum guarantee.

552.238-74 INDUSTRIAL FUNDING FEE AND SALES REPORTING (JUL 2003)

- (a) Reporting of Federal Supply Schedule Sales. The Contractor shall report all contract sales under this contract as follows:
- (1) The Contractor shall accurately report the dollar value, in U.S. dollars and rounded to the nearest whole dollar, of all sales under this contract by calendar quarter (January 1-March 31, April 1-June 30, July 1-September 30, and October 1-December 31). The dollar value of a sale is the price paid by the Schedule user for products and services on a Schedule task or delivery order. The reported contract sales value shall include the Industrial Funding Fee (IFF). The Contractor shall maintain a consistent accounting method of sales reporting, based on the Contractor's established commercial accounting practice. The acceptable points at which sales may be reported include--
 - (i) Receipt of order:
 - (ii) Shipment or delivery, as applicable;
 - (iii) Issuance of an invoice; or
 - (iv) Payment
- (2) Contract sales shall be reported to FSS within 30 calendar days following the completion of each reporting quarter. The Contractor shall continue to furnish quarterly reports, including "zero" sales, through physical completion of the last outstanding task order or delivery order of the contract.
- (3) Reportable sales under the contract are those resulting from sales of contract items to authorized users unless the purchase was conducted pursuant to a separate contracting authority such as a Governmentwide Acquisition Contract (GWAC); a separately awarded FAR Part 12, FAR Part 13, FAR Part 14, or FAR Part 15 procurement; or a non-FAR contract. Sales made to state and local governments under Cooperative Purchasing authority shall be counted as reportable sales for IFF purposes.
- (4) The Contractor shall electronically report the quarterly dollar value of sales, including "zero" sales, by utilizing the automated reporting system at an Internet website designated by the General Services Administration's (GSA) Federal Supply Service (FSS). Prior to using this automated system, the Contractor shall complete contract registration with the FSS Vendor Support Center (VSC). The website address, as well as registration instructions and reporting procedures, will be provided at the time of award. The Contractor shall report sales separately for each National Stock Number (NSN), Special Item Number (SIN), or sub-item.
- (5) The Contractor shall convert the total value of sales made in foreign currency to U.S. dollars using the "Treasury Reporting Rates of Exchange" issued by the U.S. Department of Treasury, Financial Management Service. The Contractor shall use the issue of the Treasury report in effect on the last day of the calendar quarter. The report is available from Financial Management Service, International Funds Branch, Telephone: (202) 874-7994, Internet: http://www.fms.treas.gov/intn.html. (b) The Contractor shall remit the IFF at the rate set by GSA's FSS.
- (1) The Contractor shall remit the IFF to FSS in U.S. dollars within 30 calendar days after the end of the reporting quarter; final payment shall be remitted within 30 days after physical completion of the last outstanding task order or delivery order of the contract.
- (2) The IFF represents a percentage of the total quarterly sales reported. This percentage is set at the discretion of GSA's FSS. GSA's FSS has the unilateral right to change the percentage at any time, but not more than once per year. FSS will provide reasonable notice prior to the effective date of the change. The IFF reimburses FSS for the costs of operating the Federal Supply Schedules Program and recoups its operating costs from ordering activities. Offerors must include the IFF in their prices. The fee is included in the award price(s) and reflected in the total amount charged to ordering activities. FSS will post notice of the current IFF at http://72a.fss.gsa.gov/ or successor website as appropriate.
- (c) Within 60 days of award an FSS representative will provide the Contractor with specific written procedural instructions on remitting the IFF. FSS reserves the unilateral right to change such instructions from time to time, following notification to the Contractor
- (d) Failure to remit the full amount of the IFF within 30 calendar days after the end of the applicable reporting period constitutes a contract debt to the United States Government under the terms of FAR Subpart 32.6. The Government may exercise all rights under the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996, including withholding or setting off payments and interest on the debt (see FAR clause 52.232-17, Interest). Should the Contractor fail to submit the required sales reports, falsify them, or fail to timely pay the IFF, this is sufficient cause for the Government to terminate the contract for cause.

552.238-75 PRICE REDUCTIONS (MAY 2004)

- (a) Before award of a contract, the Contracting Officer and the Offeror will agree upon (1) the customer (or category of customers) which will be the basis of award, and (2) the Government's price or discount relationship to the identified customer (or category of customers). This relationship shall be maintained throughout the contract period. Any change in the Contractor's commercial pricing or discount arrangement applicable to the identified customer (or category of customers) which disturbs this relationship shall constitute a price reduction.
- (b) During the contract period, the Contractor shall report to the Contracting Officer all price reductions to the customer (or category of customers) that was the basis of award. The Contractor's report shall include an explanation of the conditions under which the reductions were made.
- (c) (1) A price reduction shall apply to purchases under this contract if, after the date negotiations conclude, the Contractor-
- (i) Revises the commercial catalog, pricelist, schedule or other document upon which contract award was predicated to reduce prices;
- (ii) Grants more favorable discounts or terms and conditions than those contained in the commercial catalog, pricelist, schedule or other documents upon which contract award was predicated; or
- (iii) Grants special discounts to the customer (or category of customers) that formed the basis of award, and the change disturbs the price/discount relationship of the Government to the customer (or category of customers) that was the basis of award.
- (2) The Contractor shall offer the price reduction to the Government with the same effective date, and for the same time period, as extended to the commercial customer (or category of customers).
- (d) There shall be no price reduction for sales-
- (1) To commercial customers under firm, fixed-price definite quantity contracts with specified delivery in excess of the maximum order threshold specified in this contract;
 - (2) To Federal agencies;
- (3) Made to State and local government entities when the order is placed under this contract (and the State and local government entity is the agreed upon customer or category of customer that is the basis of award); or
- (4) Caused by an error in quotation or billing, provided adequate documentation is furnished by the Contractor to the Contracting Officer.
- (e) The Contractor may offer the Contracting Officer a voluntary Governmentwide price reduction at any time during the contract period.
- (f) The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer of any price reduction subject to this clause as soon as possible, but not later than 15 calendar days after its effective date.
- (g) The contract will be modified to reflect any price reduction which becomes applicable in accordance with this clause.

552.243-72 MODIFICATIONS (MULTIPLE AWARD SCHEDULE) (JUL 2000)

- (a) General. The Contractor may request a contract modification by submitting a request to the Contracting Officer for approval, except as noted in paragraph (d) of this clause. At a minimum, every request shall describe the proposed change(s) and provide the rationale for the requested change(s).
- (b) Types of Modifications.
 - (1) Additional items/additional SIN's. When requesting additions, the following information must be submitted:
 - (i) Information requested in paragraphs (1) and (2) of the Commercial Sales Practice Format to add SIN's.
- (ii) Discount information for the new items(s) or new SIN(s). Specifically, submit the information requested in paragraphs 3 through 5 of the Commercial Sales Practice Format. If this information is the same as the initial award, a statement to that effect may be submitted instead.
- (iii) Information about the new item(s) or new SIN(s) as described in 552.212-70, Preparation of Offer (Multiple Award Schedule) is required.
- (iv) Delivery time(s) for the new item(s) or the item(s) under the new SIN(s) must be submitted in accordance with 552.211-78, Commercial Delivery Schedule (Multiple Award Schedules).
- (v) Production point(s) for the new item(s) or the item(s) under the new SIN(s) must be submitted if required by 52.215-6, Place of Performance.
- (vi) Hazardous Material information (if applicable) must be submitted as required by 52.223-3 (ALT I), Hazardous Material Identification and Material Safety Data.
- (vii) Any information requested by 52.212-3(f), Offerors Representations and Certifications—Commercial Items, that may be necessary to assure compliance with FAR 52.225-1, Buy American Act—Balance of Payments Programs—Supplies.
- (2) Deletions. The Contractors shall provide an explanation for the deletion. The Government reserves the right to reject any subsequent offer of the same item or a substantially equal item at a higher price during the same contract period, if the contracting officer finds the higher price to be unreasonable when compared with the deleted item.
- (3) Price Reduction. The Contractor shall indicate whether the price reduction falls under the item (i), (ii), or (iii) of paragraph (c)(1) of the Price Reductions clause at 552.238-75. If the Price reduction falls under item (i), the Contractor shall submit a copy of the dated commercial price list. If the price reduction falls under item (ii) or (iii), the Contractor shall submit a

copy of the applicable price list(s), bulletins or letters or customer agreements which outline the effective date, duration, terms and conditions of the price reduction.

- (c) Effective dates. The effective date of any modification is the date specified in the modification, except as otherwise provided in the Price Reductions clause at 552.238-75.
- (d) Electronic File Updates. The Contractor shall update electronic file submissions to reflect all modifications. For additional items or SINs, the Contractor shall obtain the Contracting Officer's approval before transmitting changes. Contract modifications will not be made effective until the Government receives the electronic file updates. The Contractor may transmit price reductions, item deletions, and corrections without prior approval. However, the Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer as set forth in the Price Reductions clause at 552.238-75.
- (e) Amendments to Paper Federal Supply Schedule Price Lists.
- (1) The Contractor must provide supplements to its paper price lists, reflecting the most current changes. The Contractor may either:
- (i) Distribute a supplemental paper Federal Supply Schedule Price List within 15 workdays after the effective date of each modification.
- (ii) Distribute quarterly cumulative supplements. The period covered by a cumulative supplement is at the discretion of the Contractor, but may not exceed three months from the effective date of the earliest modification. For example, if the first modification occurs in February, the quarterly supplement must cover February—April, and every 3 month period after. The Contractor must distribute each quarterly cumulative supplement within 15 workdays from the last day of the calendar quarter.
- (2) At a minimum, the Contractor shall distribute each supplement to those ordering activities that previously received the basic document. In addition, the Contractor shall submit two copies of each supplement to the Contracting Officer and one copy to the FSS Schedule Information Center.

552.246-73 WARRANTY--MULTIPLE AWARD SCHEDULE (MAR 2000)

- (a) Applicable to domestic locations. Unless specified otherwise in this contract, the Contractor's standard commercial warranty as stated in the Contractor's commercial price list applies to this contract.
- (b) Applicable to overseas destinations. Unless specified otherwise in this contract, the Contractor's standard commercial warranty as stated in the commercial price list applies to this contract, except as follows:
- (1) The Contractor must provide, at a minimum, a warranty on all non-consumable parts for a period of 90 days from the date that the Government accepts the product.
 - (2) The Contractor must supply parts and labor required under the warranty provisions free of charge.
- (3) The Contractor must bear the transportation costs of returning the products to and from the repair facility, or the costs involved with Contractor personnel traveling to the Government facility for the purpose of repairing the product onsite, during the 90 day warranty period.

C-FSS-370 CONTRACTOR TASKS / SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS (NOV 2003) FSS A/L FX-03-5

- (a) Security Clearances: The Contractor may be required to obtain/possess varying levels of security clearances in the performance of orders issued under this contract. All costs associated with obtaining/possessing such security clearances should be factored into the price offered under the Multiple Award Schedule.
- (b) Travel: The Contractor may be required to travel in performance of orders issued under this contract. Allowable travel and per diem charges are governed by Pub .L. 99-234 and FAR Part 31, and are reimbursable by the ordering agency or can be priced as a fixed price item on orders placed under the Multiple Award Schedule. Travel in performance of a task order will only be reimbursable to the extent authorized by the ordering agency. The Industrial Funding Fee does NOT apply to travel and per diem charges.
- (c) Certifications, Licenses and Accreditations: As a commercial practice, the Contractor may be required to obtain/possess any variety of certifications, licenses and accreditations for specific FSC/service code classifications offered. All costs associated with obtaining/ possessing such certifications, licenses and accreditations should be factored into the price offered under the Multiple Award Schedule program.
- (d) Insurance: As a commercial practice, the Contractor may be required to obtain/possess insurance coverage for specific FSC/service code classifications offered. All costs associated with obtaining/possessing such insurance should be factored into the price offered under the Multiple Award Schedule program.
- (e) Personnel: The Contractor may be required to provide key personnel, resumes or skill category descriptions in the performance of orders issued under this contract. Ordering activities may require agency approval of additions or replacements to key personnel.
- (f) Organizational Conflicts of Interest: Where there may be an organizational conflict of interest as determined by the ordering agency, the Contractor's participation in such order may be restricted in accordance with FAR Part 9.5.
- (g) Documentation/Standards: The Contractor may be requested to provide products or services in accordance with rules, regulations, OMB orders, standards and documentation as specified by the agency's order.
- (h) Data/Deliverable Requirements: Any required data/deliverables at the ordering level will be as specified or negotiated in the agency's order.

- (i) Government-Furnished Property: As specified by the agency's order, the Government may provide property, equipment, materials or resources as necessary.
- (j) Availability of Funds: Many Government agencies' operating funds are appropriated for a specific fiscal year. Funds may not be presently available for any orders placed under the contract or any option year. The Government's obligation on orders placed under this contract is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds from which payment for ordering purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of the Government for any payment may arise until funds are available to the ordering Contracting Officer.
- (k) Overtime: For professional services, the labor rates in the Schedule should not vary by virtue of the Contractor having worked overtime. For services applicable to the Service Contract Act (as identified in the Schedule), the labor rates in the Schedule will vary as governed by labor laws (usually assessed a time and a half of the labor rate).

C-FSS-412 CHARACTERISTICS OF ELECTRIC CURRENT (MAY 2000)

Contractors supplying equipment which uses electrical current are required to supply equipment suitable for the electrical system at the location at which the equipment is to be used as specified on the order.

C-FSS-425 WORKMANSHIP (OCT 1988)

Any item contracted for must be new, current model at the time of offer, unless otherwise specified. Each article must perform the functions for its intended use.

D-FSS-465 EXPORT PACKING (APR 1984)

- (a) Offerors are requested to quote, in the pricelist accompanying their offer (or by separate attachment), additional charges or net prices covering delivery of the items furnished with commercial and/or Government export packing. Government export packing, if offered, shall be in accordance with accepted commercial practice. If commercial export packing is offered, the offer or pricelist shall include detailed specifications describing the packing to be furnished at the price quoted.
- (b) Ordering activities will not be obligated to utilize the Contractor's services for export packing accepted under this solicitation, and they may obtain such services elsewhere if desired. However, the Contractor shall furnish items export packed when such packing is specified on the purchase order.

D-FSS-468 NON-MANUFACTURED WOOD PACKAGING MATERIAL FOR EXPORT (MAY 2004)

(a) Definitions:

"Packaged material, and Solid Wood Packing Material (SWPM)," for purposes of this clause, is defined as each separate and distinct material that by itself or in combination with other materials forms the container providing a means of protecting and handling a product. This includes, but is not limited to, pallets, dunnage, crating, packing blocks, drums, load boards, pallet collars, and skids.

"Non-Manufactured wood," is also called solid wood and defined as wood packing other than that comprised wholly of wood-based products such as plywood, particle board, oriented strand board, veneer, wood wool, and similar materials, which has been created using glue, heat and pressure or a combination thereof.

IPPC Country: Countries of the European Union (EU) or any other country endorsing the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) "Guidelines for Regulating Wood Packaging Material in International Trade," approved March 15, 2002. A listing of countries participating in the IPPC is found at http://www.aphis.usda.gov/ppq/swp/.

- (b) Non-manufactured wood pallets and other non-manufactured wood packaging material used to pack items for delivery to or through IPPC countries must be marked and properly treated in accordance with IPPC guidelines.
- (c) This requirement applies whether the shipment is direct to the end user or through a Government designated consolidation point. Packaging that does not conform to IPPC guidelines will be refused entry, destroyed or treated prior to entry.
- (d) For Department of Defense distribution facilities or freight consolidation points, all non-manufactured wood pallets or packaging material with a probability of entering countries endorsing the IPPC Guidelines must be treated and marked in accordance with DLA PROCLTR 02-17 (available at http://www.dla.mil/j-3/j-336/ProcLtrs/02-17.pdf), and MIL-STD-2073-1, Standard Practice for Military Packaging (and any future revision).
- (e) Pallets and packing material shipped to FSS distribution facilities designated for possible delivery to the countries endorsing the IPPC Guidelines will comply with DLA PROCLTR 02-17, and MIL-STD-2073-1.
- (f) Delays in delivery caused by non-complying pallets or wood package material will not be considered as beyond the control of the Contractor. Any applicable Government expense incurred as a result of the Contractor's failure to provide appropriate pallets or package material shall be reimbursed by the Contractor. Expenses may include the applicable cost for repackaging, handling and return shipping, or the destruction of solid wood packaging material.

D-FSS-471 MARKING AND DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS PER SHIPMENT (APR 1984)

It shall be the responsibility of the Ordering Office to determine the full marking and documentation requirements necessary under the various methods of shipment authorized by the contract. Set forth below is the minimum information and documentation that will be required for shipment. In the event the Ordering Office fails to provide the essential information and documentation, the Contractor shall, within three days after receipt of order, contact the Ordering Office and advise them

accordingly. The Contractor shall not proceed with any shipment requiring transshipment via U.S. Government facilities without the below stated prerequisites:

Direct Shipments. The Contractor shall mark all items ordered against this contract with indelible ink, paint or fluid, as follows:

- (1) Traffic Management or Transportation Officer at FINAL destination.
- (2) Ordering Supply Account Number.
- (3) Account number.
- (4) Delivery Order or Purchase Order Number.
- (5) National Stock Number, if applicable; or Contractor's item number.
- (6) Box _____ of ____ Boxes.
- (7) Nomenclature (brief description of items).

D-FSS-477 TRANSSHIPMENTS (APR 1984)

The Contractor shall complete TWO DD Forms 1387, Military Shipment Labels and, if applicable, four copies of DD Form 1387-2, Special Handling/Data Certification—used when shipping chemicals, dangerous cargo, etc. Two copies of the DD Form 1387 will be attached to EACH shipping container delivered to the port Transportation Officer for subsequent transshipment by the Government as otherwise provided for under the terms of this contract. These forms will be attached to one end and one side (NOT on the top or bottom) of the container. The Contractor will complete the bottom line of these forms, which pertains to the number of pieces, weight and cube of each piece, using U.S. weight and cubic measures. Weights will be rounded off to the nearest pound. (One kg = 2.2 U.S. pounds; one cubic meter = 35.3156 cubic feet.) In addition, if the cargo consists of chemicals, or is dangerous, one copy of the DD Form 1387 2 will be attached to the container, and three copies will be furnished to the Transportation Officer with the Bill of Lading. DANGEROUS CARGO WILL NOT BE INTERMINGLED WITH NONDANGEROUS CARGO IN THE SAME CONTAINER. Copies of the above forms, and preparation instructions will be obtained from the Ordering Office issuing the Delivery Order. Reproduced copies of the forms are acceptable. FAILURE TO INCLUDE DD FORMS 1387 (AND DD FORM 1387-2, IF APPLICABLE) ON EACH SHIPPING CONTAINER WILL RESULT IN REJECTION OF SHIPMENT BY THE PORT TRANSPORTATION OFFICER.

F-FSS-3FN-100 DELAYS AND/OR LATE SHIPMENTS/DELIVERIES (OCT 1998)

- (a) Timely delivery in accordance with the terms and conditions of this contract is essential to the accomplishment of the mission of the General Services Administration and the agencies it supports.
- (b) The contractor shall immediately notify the customer and the GSA National Furniture Center in writing if any situation delays or threatens to delay the timely performance of any order. The notification shall include the contractor's best possible delivery time for the government's approval. If the government does not approve the alternate delivery date(s) (with or without obtaining consideration from the contractor), the government shall have the right to cancel the order(s) in whole or in part without further liability on the government's part. The government also has the right to purchase the goods elsewhere and/or hold the contractor accountable for all damages, both direct and indirect, resulting from the contractor's unacceptable delivery date(s).
- (c) If unapproved late deliveries are made, the government may cancel the order(s) in whole or in part, purchase the goods elsewhere, and/or hold the contractor accountable for all damages, both direct and indirect, resulting from the contractor's failure to deliver on schedule. Acceptance of a late delivery(ies) by the government shall not constitute a waiver of the government's claim for any damage that the late delivery may have caused.

F-FSS-202-F DELIVERY PRICES (APR 1984)

Prices offered must cover delivery to destinations as provided below:

- (a) Direct delivery to consignee. F.o.b. inland point, country of importation (FAR 52.247-39). (Offeror to indicate countries where direct delivery will be provided.)
- (b) Delivery to overseas assembly point for transshipment when specified by the ordering office, if delivery is not covered under paragraph (a), above.
- (c) Delivery to the overseas port of entry when delivery is not covered under paragraphs (a) or (b), above.

 Offerors are requested to furnish below the geographic area(s)/countries/zones which are intended to be covered.

F-FSS-202-G DELIVERY PRICES (JAN 1994)

- (a) Prices offered must cover delivery as provided below to destinations located within the 48 contiguous States and the District of Columbia.
- (1) Delivery to the door of the specified Government activity by freight or express common carriers on articles for which store-door delivery is provided, free or subject to a charge, pursuant to regularly published tariffs duly filed with the Federal and/or State regulatory bodies governing such carrier; or, at the option of the Contractor, by parcel post on mailable articles, or by the Contractor's vehicle. Where store-door delivery is subject to a charge, the Contractor shall (a) place the notation "Delivery Service Requested" on bills of lading covering such shipments, and (b) pay such charge and add the actual cost thereof as a separate item to his invoice.

- (2) Delivery to siding at destinations when specified by the ordering office, if delivery is not covered under paragraph (a)(1), above.
 - (3) Delivery to the freight station nearest destination when delivery is not covered under paragraph (a)(1) or (a)(2), above.
- (b) The offeror is requested to indicate below whether or not prices submitted cover delivery f.o.b. destination in Alaska, Hawaii, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

	(Yes)	(NO)
Alaska		
Hawaii		
Puerto Rico		

- (c) When deliveries are made to destinations outside the contiguous 48 States; i.e., Alaska, Hawaii, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and are not covered by paragraph (b), above, the following conditions will apply:
- (1) Delivery will be f.o.b. inland carrier, point of exportation (FAR 52.247-38), with the transportation charges to be paid by the Government from point of exportation to destination in Alaska, Hawaii, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, as designated by the ordering office. The Contractor shall add the actual cost of transportation to destination from the point of exportation in the 48 contiguous States nearest to the designated destination. Such costs will, in all cases, be based upon the lowest regularly established rates on file with the Interstate Commerce Commission, the U.S. Maritime Commission (if shipped by water), or any State regulatory body, or those published by the U.S. Postal Service; and must be supported by paid freight or express receipt or by a statement of parcel post charges including weight of shipment.
 - (2) The right is reserved to ordering agencies to furnish Government bills of lading.
- (d) Ordering offices will be required to pay differential between freight charges and express charges where express deliveries are desired by the Government.

F-FSS-230 DELIVERIES TO THE U.S. POSTAL SERVICE (JAN 1994)

- (a) Applicability. This clause applies to orders placed for the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) and accepted by the Contractor for the delivery of supplies to a USPS facility (consignee).
- (b) <u>Mode/Method of Transportation</u>. Unless the Contracting Officer grants a waiver of this requirement, any shipment that meets the USPS requirements for mailability (i.e., 70 pounds or less, combined length and girth not more than 108 inches, etc.) delivery shall be accomplished via the use of the USPS. Other commercial services shall not be used, but this does not preclude the Contractor from making delivery by the use of the Contractor's own vehicles.
- (c) <u>Time of Delivery</u>. Notwithstanding the required time for delivery to destination as may be specified elsewhere in this contract, if shipments under this clause are mailed not later than five (5) calendar days before the required delivery date, delivery shall be deemed to have been made timely.

F-FSS-736-A EXPORT TRAFFIC RELEASE (OCT 1988)

Supplies ordered by GSA for export will not be shipped by the Contractor until shipping instructions are received from GSA. To obtain shipping instructions, the Contractor shall forward completed copies of GSA Form 1611, Application for Shipping Instructions and Notice of Availability, to the GSA office designated on the purchase order at least 15 days prior to the anticipated shipping date. Copies of GSA Form 1611 will be furnished to the Contractor with the purchase order. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in nonacceptance of the material by authorities at the port of exportation. When supplies for export are ordered by other Government agencies the Contractor should obtain shipping instructions from the ordering agency.

F-FSS-772 CARLOAD SHIPMENTS (APR 1984)

When shipment is to be made by rail, to one destination, of a carload quantity which includes an item or items the overall length of which when packed and/or palletized, is 60 inches or over, the Contractor shall, when ordering cars, specify that, if available, double-door rail cars be furnished. This provision is intended solely to facilitate unloading by forklift truck at destination. Under no circumstances should scheduled shipment be delayed due to nonavailability of double-door cars.

G-FSS-900-C CONTACT FOR CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION (JUL 2003)

Offerors should complete paragraphs (a) and (b) if providing both domestic and overseas delivery. Complete paragraph (a) if providing domestic delivery only. Complete paragraph (b) if providing overseas delivery only.

The Contractor shall designate a person to serve as the contract administrator for the contract both domestically and overseas. The contract administrator is responsible for overall compliance with contract terms and conditions. The contract administrator is also the responsible official for issues concerning 552.238-74, Industrial Funding Fee and Sales Reporting (JUL 2003), including reviews of contractor records. The Contractor's designation of representatives to handle certain functions under this contract does not relieve the contract administrator of responsibility for contract compliance. Any changes to the designated individual must be provided to the Contracting Officer in writing, with the proposed effective date of the change

(a) Domestic:

NAME	
TITLE	
ADDRESS	
ZIP CODE	
TELEPHONE NO.	FAX NO
EMAIL ADDRESS	
quality complaint from customer agencies. (Also, see contact point must be furnished for each area in which do	for local assistance with the resolution of any delivery, performance, or the requirement in I-FSS-594, Parts and Service.) At a minimum, a eliveries are contemplated, e.g., Europe, South America, Far East, etc.
NAME	
TITLE	
ADDRESS	
TELEPHONE NO. ()	FAX NO. ()
EMAIL ADDRESS	

G-FSS-906 VENDOR MANAGED INVENTORY (VMI) PROGRAM (MAS) (JAN 1999)

- (a) The term "Vendor Managed Inventory" describes a system in which the Contractor monitors and maintains specified inventory levels for selected items at designated stocking points. VMI enables the Contractor to plan production and shipping more efficiently. Stocking points benefit from reduced inventory but steady stock levels.
- (b) Contractors that commercially provide a VMI-type system may enter into similar partnerships with customers under a Blanket Purchase Agreement.

G-FSS-907 ORDER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT (APR 1984)

Contractors shall acknowledge only those orders which state "Order Acknowledgement Required." These orders shall be acknowledged within 10 days after receipt. Such acknowledgement shall be sent to the activity placing the order and contain information pertinent to the order, including the anticipated delivery date.

I-FSS-40 CONTRACTOR TEAM ARRANGEMENTS (JUL 2003) FSS A/L FX-03-4

Contractors participating in contractor team arrangements must abide by all terms and conditions of their respective contracts. This includes compliance with Clauses 552.238-74, Industrial Funding Fee and Sales Reporting, i.e., each contractor (team member) must report sales and remit the IFF for all products and services provided under its individual contract.

I-FSS-50 PERFORMANCE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS (FEB 1995)

- (a) This clause applies to all contracts estimated to exceed \$100,000.
- (b) Unless notified otherwise in writing by the Contracting Officer, the Contractor may assume contract performance is satisfactory.
- (c) If negative performance information is submitted by customer agencies, the Contracting Officer will notify the Contractor in writing and provide copies of any complaints received. The Contractor will have 30 calendar days from receipt of this notification to submit a rebuttal and/or a report of corrective actions taken.

I-FSS-95 REREPRESENTATION OF SIZE STATUS FOR OPTION PERIODS (JUN 2003) FSS A/LFX033

For certain requirements, the Government enters into contracts with multiple contractors for the same or similar services or products. Such contracts frequently contain options that allow the contract to be extended when it is determined to be in the best interest of the Government. Contract extensions may have an impact on the program established by the Government to assist small businesses when there is a change in the status of the Contractor during the contract term.

Prior to the time the Contracting Officer exercises an option, the Contractor will be required to re-represent business size status and 8(a) program eligibility to the Contracting Officer by completing the applicable portion of 52.2123, Offeror Representations and Certification Commercial Items, or 52.2191, Small Business Program Representations, as applicable to this contract.

(a) When the contract did not result from a small business set aside:

If a previously awarded small business concern re-represents itself as other then small, an acceptable subcontracting plan must be negotiated with the Contracting Officer if the value of the remainder of the contract option periods exceeds the threshold for a subcontracting plan.

(b) When the contract resulted from a small business seta side:

If a previously awarded small business concern re-represents itself as other then small, the Contracting Officer shall be precluded from exercising the option.

(c) When the contract resulted from an 8(a)set a side:

If a previously awarded 8(a) small business concern re-represents itself as other than 8(a), the Contracting Officer shall be precluded from exercising the option.

I-FSS-60 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVES (APRIL 2000)

- (a) When using a performance based statement of work, performance incentives may be agreed upon between the Contractor and the ordering office on individual fixed price orders or Blanket Purchase Agreements, for fixed price tasks, under this contract in accordance with this clause.
- (b) The ordering office must establish a maximum performance incentive price for these services and/or total solutions on individual orders or Blanket Purchase Agreements.
- (c) To the maximum extent practicable, ordering offices shall consider establishing incentives where performance is critical to the agency's mission and incentives are likely to motivate the contractor. Incentives shall be based on objectively measurable tasks.
- (d) The above procedures do not apply to Time and Material or labor hour orders.

I-FSS-103 SCOPE OF CONTRACT—WORLDWIDE (JUL 2002)

- (a) This solicitation is issued to establish contracts which may be used as sources of supplies or services described herein for domestic and/or overseas delivery.
- (b) Definitions-

Domestic delivery is delivery within the 48 contiguous states, Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, Washington, DC, and U.S. territories. Domestic delivery also includes a port or consolidation point, within the aforementioned areas, for orders received from overseas activities.

Overseas delivery is delivery to points outside of the 48 contiguous states, Washington, DC, Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and U.S. territories.

- (c) Offerors are requested to check one of the following boxes:
 - () Contractor will provide domestic and overseas delivery. (Refer to clause I-FSS-108, Clauses for Overseas Coverage.)
 - () Contractor will provide overseas delivery only. (Refer to clause I-FSS-108, Clauses for Overseas Coverage.)
 - () Contractor will provide domestic delivery only.
- (d) Resultant contracts may be used on a nonmandatory basis by the following activities: Executive agencies; other Federal agencies, mixed-ownership Government corporations, and the District of Columbia; Government contractors authorized in writing by a Federal agency pursuant to 48 CFR 51.1; and other activities and organizations authorized by statute or regulation to use GSA as a source of supply. U.S. territories are domestic delivery points for purposes of this contract. (Questions regarding activities authorized to use this schedule should be directed to the Contracting Officer.)
- (e) (1) The Contractor is obligated to accept orders received from activities within the Executive Branch of the Federal Government.
- (2) The Contractor is not obligated to accept orders received from activities outside the Executive Branch of the Federal Government; however, the Contractor is encouraged to accept orders from such Federal activities. If the Contractor elects to accept such an order, all provisions of the contract shall apply, including clause 552.232-77, Payment by Governmentwide Commercial Purchase Card (Alternate I). If the Contractor is unwilling to accept such an order, and the proposed method of payment is not through the Purchase Card, the Contractor shall return the order by mail or other means of delivery within

5 workdays from receipt. If the Contractor is unwilling to accept such an order, and the proposed method of payment is through the Purchase Card, the Contractor must so advise the ordering agency within 24 hours of receipt of order. (Reference clause 552.232-77, Payment by Governmentwide Commercial Purchase Card (Alternate I)). Failure to return an order or advise the ordering agency within the time frames above shall constitute acceptance whereupon all provisions of the contract shall apply.

(f) The Government is obligated to purchase under each resultant contract a guaranteed minimum as specified in the clause I-FSS-106, Guaranteed Minimum, contained elsewhere in this contract.

I-FSS-106 GUARANTEED MINIMUM (JUL 2003)

The minimum that the Government agrees to order during the period of this contract is \$2,500. If the Contractor receives total orders for less than \$2,500 during the term of the contract, the Government will pay the difference between the amount ordered and \$2,500.

- (a) Payment of any amount due under this clause shall be contingent upon the Contractor's timely submission of GSA Form 72A reports (see GSAR 552.238-74 "Industrial Funding Fee and Sales Reporting") during the period of the contract and receipt of the close-out sales report pursuant to GSAR 552.238-74.
- (b) The guaranteed minimum applies only if the contract expires or contract cancellation is initiated by the Government. The guaranteed minimum does not apply if the contract is terminated for cause or if the contract is canceled at the request of the Contractor.

I-FSS-108 CLAUSES FOR OVERSEAS COVERAGE (MAY 2000)

The following clauses apply to overseas coverage.

52.214-34	Submission of Offers in the English Language
52.214-35	Submission of Offers in U.S. Currency
52.247-34	FOB Destination
52.247-38	FOB Inland Carrier, Country of Exportation
52.247-39	FOB Inland Point, Country of Importation
C-FSS-412	Characteristics of Electric Current
D-FSS-471	Marking and Documentation Requirements Per Shipment
D-FSS-477	Transshipments
F-FSS-202-F	Delivery Prices
I-FSS-314	Foreign Taxes and Duties
I-FSS-594	Parts and Service

I-FSS-109 ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND U.S. DOLLAR REQUIREMENTS (MAR 1998)

- (a) All documents produced by the Contractor to fulfill requirements of this contract including, but not limited to, Federal Supply Schedule catalogs and pricelists, must reflect all terms and conditions in the English language.
- (b) U.S. dollar equivalency, if applicable, will be based on the rates published in the "Treasury Reporting Rates of Exchange" in effect as of the date of the agency's purchase order or in effect during the time period specified elsewhere in this contract.

I-FSS-125 REQUIREMENTS EXCEEDING THE MAXIMUM ORDER (SEP 1999)

- (a) In accordance with FAR 8.404, before placing an order that exceeds the maximum order threshold, ordering offices shall—
 - (1) Review additional schedule contractors' catalogs/price lists or use the "GSA Advantage!" on-line shopping service;
- (2) Based upon the initial evaluation, generally seek price reductions from the schedule contractor(s) appearing to provide the best value (considering price and other factors); and
- (3) After price reductions have been sought, place the order with the schedule contractor that provides the best value and results in the lowest overall cost alternative (see FAR 8.404(a)). If further price reductions are not offered, an order may still be placed, if the ordering office determines that it is appropriate.
- (b) Vendors may:
- (1) offer a new lower price for this requirement (the Price Reduction clause is not applicable to orders placed over the maximum order in FAR 52.216-19 Order Limitations.)
 - (2) offer the lowest price available under the contract; or
 - (3) decline the order (orders must be returned in accordance with FAR 52.216-19).
- (c) A delivery order that exceeds the maximum order may be placed with the Contractor selected in accordance with FAR 8.404. The order will be placed under the contract.
- (d) Sales for orders that exceed the Maximum Order shall be reported in accordance with GSAR 552.238-74.

I-FSS-140-B URGENT REQUIREMENTS (JAN 1994)

When the Federal Supply Schedule contract delivery period does not meet the bona fide urgent delivery requirements of an ordering agency, agencies are encouraged, if time permits, to contact the Contractor for the purpose of obtaining accelerated delivery. The Contractor shall reply to the inquiry within 3 workdays after receipt. (Telephonic replies shall be confirmed by the Contractor in writing.) If the Contractor offers an accelerated delivery time acceptable to the ordering agency, any order(s)

placed pursuant to the agreed upon accelerated delivery time frame shall be delivered within this shorter delivery time and in accordance with all other terms and conditions of the contract.

I-FSS-163 OPTION TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT (EVERGREEN) (APR 2000)

- (a) The Government may require continued performance of this contract for an additional 5 year period when it is determined that exercising the option is advantageous to the Government considering price and other factors. The option clause may not be exercised more than three times. When the option to extend the term of this contract is exercised the following conditions are applicable:
- (1) It is determined that exercising the option is advantageous to the Government considering price and the other factors covered in (2 through 4 below).
- (2) The Contractor's electronic catalog/pricelist has been received, approved, posted, and kept current on GSA Advantage!™ in accordance with clause I-FSS-600, Contract Price Lists.
 - (3) Performance has been acceptable under the contract.
 - (4) Subcontracting goals have been reviewed and approved.
- (b) The Contracting Officer may exercise the option by providing a written notice to the Contractor within 30 days, unless otherwise noted, prior to the expiration of the contract or option.
- (c) When the Government exercises its option to extend the term of this contract, prices in effect at the time the option is exercised will remain in effect during the option period, unless an adjustment is made in accordance with another contract clause (e.g., Economic Price Adjustment Clause or Price Reduction Clause).

I-FSS-249-B DEFAULT (MAY 2000)

In addition to any other clause contained herein related to termination, the following is applicable to orders placed under Federal Supply Schedule contracts.

Any ordering office may, with respect to any one or more orders placed by it under the contract, exercise the same right of termination, acceptance of inferior articles or services, and assessment of excess costs as might the Contracting Officer, except that when failure to deliver articles or services is alleged by the Contractor to be excusable, the determination of whether the failure is excusable shall be made only by the Contracting Officer of the General Services Administration, to whom such allegation shall be referred by the ordering office and from whose determination appeal may be taken as provided in the clause of this contract entitled "Disputes."

I-FSS-314 FOREIGN TAXES AND DUTIES (DEC 1990)

Prices offered must be net, delivered, f.o.b. to the destinations accepted by the Government.

- (a) The offeror warrants that such prices do not include any tax, duty, customs fees, or other foreign Governmental costs, assessments, or similar charges from which the U.S. Government is exempt. The offeror further warrants that any applicable taxes duties, customs fees, other Government costs, assessments or similar charges from which the U.S. Government is not exempt are included in the prices quoted and that such prices are not subject to increases for any such charges applicable at the time of acceptance of this offer by the Government.
- (b) Standard commercial export packaging, including containerization, if necessary, packaging, preservation, marking are included in the pricing offered and accepted by the Government.

I-FSS-594 PARTS AND SERVICE (OCT 1988)

- (1) For equipment under items listed in the schedule of items or services on which offers are submitted, the offeror certifies by submission of this offer that parts and services (including the performing of warranty or guarantee service) are now available from dealers or distributors serving the areas of ultimate overseas destination or that such facilities will be established and will be maintained throughout the contract period. If a new servicing facility is to be established, the facility shall be established no later than the beginning of the contract period.
- (2) Each Contractor shall be fully responsible for the services to be performed by the named servicing facilities, or by such facilities to be established, and fully guarantees performance of such services if the original service proves unsatisfactory.
- (3) Offerors are requested to include in the pricelist, the names and addresses of all supply and service points maintained in the geographic area in which the Contractor will perform. Please indicate opposite each point whether or not a complete stock of repair parts for items offered is carried at that point, and whether or not mechanical service is available.

GEOGRAPHIC AREA ADDRESS OF SUPPLY AND SERVICE POINT

It is desired to have available means for maintaining Government-owned items in satisfactory operating condition and to receive service at least as good as that extended to commercial customers.

I-FSS-597 GSA ADVANTAGE!™ (SEP 2000)

(a) The Contractor must participate in the GSA Advantage,[™] online shopping service. Information and instructions regarding contractor participation are contained in clause I-FSS-599, Electronic Commerce.

(b) The Contractor also should refer to contract clauses 552.238-71, Submission and Distribution of Authorized GSA Schedule Pricelists (which provides for submission of pricelists on a common-use electronic medium), I-FSS-600, Contract Pricelists (which provides information on electronic contract data), and 552.243-72, Modifications (which addresses electronic file updates).

I-FSS-599 ELECTRONIC COMMERCE—FACNET (APR 1997)

(a) General Background.

The Federal Acquisition Streamlining Act (FASA) of 1994 establishes the Federal Acquisition Computer Network (FACNET) requiring the Government to evolve its acquisition process from one driven by paperwork into an expedited process based on electronic commerce/electronic data interchange (EC/EDI). EC/EDI means more than merely automating manual processes and eliminating paper transactions. It can and will help to move business processes (e.g., procurement, finance, logistics, etc.) into a fully electronic environment and fundamentally change the way organizations operate.

(b) Trading Partners and Value-Added Networks (VAN's).

Within the FACNET architecture, electronic documents (e.g., orders, invoices, etc.) are carried between the Federal Government's procuring office and contractors (now known as "trading partners"). These transactions are carried by commercial telecommunications companies called Value-Added Networks (VAN's). Federal Government transactions are provided only to those VAN's that have been certified by DOD and connected to FACNET.

EDI can be done using commercially available hardware, software, and telecommunications. The selection of a VAN is a business decision contractors must make. There are many different VAN's which provide a variety of electronic services and different pricing strategies. If your VAN only provides communications services, you may also need a software translation package.

(c) Registration Instructions.

DOD will require Contractors to register as trading partners to do business with the Government. This policy can be reviewed via the INTERNET at http://acq.osd.mil/ec/nwsltr.html.

To do EDI with the Government, Contractors must register as a trading partner. Contractors will provide regular business information, banking information, and EDI capabilities to all agencies in this single registration. A central repository of all trading partners, **called the Central Contractor Registration (CCR)**, has been developed. All Government procuring offices and other interested parties will have access to this central repository. The database is structured to identify the types of data elements which are public information and those which are confidential and not releasable.

To register, contractors must provide their Dun and Bradstreet (DUNS) number. The DUNS number is available by calling 1(800)333-0505. It is provided and maintained free of charge and only takes a few minutes to obtain. Contractors will need to provide their Tax Identification Number (TIN). The TIN is assigned by the Internal Revenue Service by calling 1(800)829-1040. Contractors will also be required to provide information about company bank or financial institution for electronic funds transfer (FFT)

Contractors may register through their Value Added Network (VAN) using an American National Standards Institute (ANSI) ASC X12 838 transaction set, called a "Trading Partner Profile." A transaction set is a standard format for moving electronic data. VAN's will be able to assist contractors with registration. A list of certified VAN's and software providers is available from the Department of Defense (DOD) by calling 1(800)EDI-3414, or from the world wide web at http://www.acq.osd.mil/ec/van_list.html. Contractors who wish to register without going through a VAN may do so via the INTERNET at http://ccr.edi.disa.mil.

(d) Implementation Conventions.

All EDI transactions must comply with the Federal Implementation Conventions (IC's). Many VAN's and software providers have already built the IC requirements into their products. If you need to see the IC's, they are available on a registry maintained by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). It is accessible via the INTERNET at http://snad.ncsl.nist.gov/dartg/edi/fededi.html. IC's are available for common business documents such as Purchase Order, Price Sales Catalog, Invoice, Request for Quotes, etc.

(e) Additional Information.

GSA has additional information available for vendors who are interested in starting to use EC/EDI. Contact the Contracting Officer for a copy of the latest handbook. Several resources are available to vendors to assist in implementing EC/EDI; specific addresses are available in the handbook or from the Contracting Officer:

- (1) Electronic Commerce Resource Centers (ECRC's) are a network of U.S. Government-sponsored centers that provide EC/EDI training and support to the contractor community. They are found in over a dozen locations around the country.
- (2) Procurement Technical Assistance Centers (PTAC's) and Small Business Development Centers (SBDC's) provide management assistance to small business owners. Each state has several locations.
- (3) Most major US cities have an EDI user group of companies who meet periodically to share information on EDI-related subjects.

(f) GSA Advantage!™.

(1) **GSA** Advantage![™] will use this FACNET system to receive catalogs, invoices and text messages; and to send purchase orders, application advice, and functional acknowledgments. **GSA** Advantage![™] enables customers to:

- (i) Perform database searches across all contracts by manufacturer; manufacturer's model/part number; vendor; and generic product categories.
- (ii) Generate their own EDI delivery orders to contractors, generate EDI delivery orders from the Federal Supply Service to contractors, or download files to create their own delivery orders.
 - (iii) Use the Federal IMPAC VISA.
- (2) **GSA** Advantage![™] may be accessed via the GSA Home Page. The INTERNET address is: http://www.gsa.gov, or http://www.fss.gsa.gov.

I-FSS-600 CONTRACT PRICE LISTS (JUL 2004) FSS A/L FC-98-9

(a) Electronic Contract Data.

- (1) At the time of award, the Contractor will be provided instructions for submitting electronic contract data in a prescribed electronic format as required by clause 552.238-71, Submission and Distribution of Authorized FSS Schedule Price Lists.
- (2) The Contractor will have a choice to transmit its file submissions electronically through Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) in accordance with the Federal Implementation Convention (IC) or use the application made available at the time of award. The Contractor's electronic files must be complete; correct; readable; virus-free; and contain only those supplies and services, prices, and terms and conditions that were accepted by the Government. They will be added to GSA's electronic ordering system known as GSA *Advantage!*, a menu-driven database system that provides on-line access to contract ordering information, terms and conditions, up-to-date pricing, and the option to create an electronic order. The Contractor's electronic files must be received no later than 6 months after award. Contractors should refer to clause I-FSS-597, GSA *Advantage!* for further information.
 - (3) Further details on EDI, ICs, and GSA Advantage! can be found in clause I-FSS-599, Electronic Commerce.
- (4) The Contractor is encouraged to place the GSA identifier (logo) on their web site for those supplies or services covered by this contract. The logo can link to the contractor's Federal Supply Schedule price list. The identifier URL is located at fss.gsa.gov/partnership/. All resultant "web price lists" shown on the contractor's web site must be in accordance with section (b)(3)(ii) of this clause and nothing other than what was accepted /awarded by the Government may be included. If the contractor elects to use contract identifiers on its website (either logos or contact number) the website must clearly distinguish between those items awarded on the contract and any other items offered by the contractor on an open market basis.
- (5) The contractor is responsible for keeping all electronic catalog data up to date; e.g., prices, product deletions and replacements, etc.
- (b) Federal Supply Schedule Price Lists.
- (1) The Contractor must also prepare, print, and distribute a paper Federal Supply Schedule Price List as required by clause 552.238-71, Submission and Distribution of Authorized FSS Schedule Price Lists. This must be done as set forth in this paragraph (b).
 - (2) The Contractor must prepare a Federal Supply Schedule Price List by either:
- (i) Using the commercial catalog, price list, schedule, or other document as accepted by the Government, showing accepted discounts, and obliterating all items, terms, and conditions not accepted by the Government by lining out those items or by a stamp across the face of the item stating "NOT UNDER CONTRACT" or "EXCLUDED"; or
- (ii) Composing a price list in which only those items, terms, and conditions accepted by the Government are included, and which contain only net prices, based upon the commercial price list less discounts accepted by the Government. In this instance, the Contractor must show on the cover page the notation "Prices Shown Herein are Net (discount deducted)".
- (3) The cover page of the Federal Supply Schedule Price List must include the following information prepared in the format set forth in this subparagraph (b)(3):

(i) GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

Federal Supply Service

Authorized Federal Supply Schedule Price List

On-line access to contract ordering information, terms and conditions, up-to-date pricing, and the option to create an electronic delivery order are available through GSA Advantage!, a menu-driven database system. The INTERNET address GSA *Advantage!* is: GSAAdvantage.gov.

Schedule Title

FSC Group, Part, and Section or Standard Industrial Group (as applicable)

FSC Class(es)/Product code(s) and/or Service Codes (as applicable)

Contract number

For more information on ordering from Federal Supply Schedules click on the FSS Schedules button at fss.gsa.gov.

Contract period.

Contractor's name, address, and phone number (include toll-free WATS number and FAX number, if applicable)

Contractor's internet address/web site where schedule information can be found (as applicable).

Contract administration source (if different from preceding entry). Business size.

- (ii) CUSTOMER INFORMATION: The following information should be placed under this heading in consecutively numbered paragraphs in the sequence set forth below. If this information is placed in another part of the Federal Supply Schedule Price List, a table of contents must be shown on the cover page that refers to the exact location of the information.
- 1a. Table of awarded special item number(s) with appropriate cross-reference to item descriptions and awarded price(s).
- 1b. Identification of the lowest priced model number and lowest unit price for that model for each special item number awarded in the contract. This price is the Government price based on a unit of one, exclusive of any quantity/dollar volume, prompt payment, or any other concession affecting price. Those contracts that have unit prices based on the geographic location of the customer, should show the range of the lowest price, and cite the areas to which the prices apply.
- 1c. If the Contractor is proposing hourly rates, a description of all corresponding commercial job titles, experience, functional responsibility and education for those types of employees or subcontractors who will perform services shall be provided. If hourly rates are not applicable, indicate "Not applicable" for this item.
 - 2. Maximum order.
 - 3. Minimum order.
 - 4. Geographic coverage (delivery area).
 - 5. Point(s) of production (city, county, and State or foreign country).
 - 6. Discount from list prices or statement of net price.
 - 7. Quantity discounts.
 - 8. Prompt payment terms.
 - 9a. Notification that Government purchase cards are accepted at or below the micro-purchase threshold.
- 9b. Notification whether Government purchase cards are accepted or not accepted above the micro-purchase threshold.
 - 10. Foreign items (list items by country of origin).
 - 11a. Time of delivery. (Contractor insert number of days.)
- 11b. Expedited Delivery. The Contractor will insert the sentence "Items available for expedited delivery are noted in this price list." under this heading. The Contractor may use a symbol of its choosing to highlight items in its price lists that have expedited delivery.
- 11c. Overnight and 2-day delivery. The Contractor will indicate whether overnight and 2-day delivery are available. Also, the Contractor will indicate that the schedule customer may contact the Contractor for rates for overnight and 2-day delivery.
- 11d. Urgent Requirements. The Contractor will note in its price list the "Urgent Requirements" clause of its contract and advise agencies that they can also contact the Contractor's representative to effect a faster delivery.
 - 12. F.O.B. point(s).
 - 13a. Ordering address(es).
- 13b. Ordering procedures: For supplies and services, the ordering procedures, information on Blanket Purchase Agreements (BPA's) are found in Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 8.405-3.
 - 14. Payment address(es).
 - 15. Warranty provision.
 - 16. Export packing charges, if applicable.
- 17. Terms and conditions of Government purchase card acceptance (any thresholds above the micro-purchase level).
 - 18. Terms and conditions of rental, maintenance, and repair (if applicable).
 - 19. Terms and conditions of installation (if applicable).
- 20. Terms and conditions of repair parts indicating date of parts price lists and any discounts from list prices (if applicable).
 - 20a. Terms and conditions for any other services (if applicable).
 - 21. List of service and distribution points (if applicable).
 - 22. List of participating dealers (if applicable).
 - 23. Preventive maintenance (if applicable).
- 24a. Special attributes such as environmental attributes (e.g., recycled content, energy efficiency, and/or reduced pollutants).
- 24b. If applicable, indicate that Section 508 compliance information is available on Electronic and Information Technology (EIT) supplies and services and show where full details can be found (e.g. contractor's website or other location.) The EIT standards can be found at: www.Section508.gov/.
 - 25. Data Universal Number System (DUNS) number.
 - 26. Notification regarding registration in Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database.
- (4) Amendments to Federal Supply Schedule Price Lists must include on the cover page the same information as the basic document plus the title "Supplement No. (sequentially numbered)" and the effective date(s) of such supplements.

- (5) The Contractor must provide two of the Federal Supply Schedule Price Lists (including covering letters), to the Contracting Officer 30 days after the date of award. Accuracy of information and computation of prices is the responsibility of the Contractor. NOTE: The obliteration discussed in subdivision (b)(2)(i) of this clause must be accomplished prior to the printing and distribution of the Federal Supply Schedule Price Lists.
- (6) Inclusion of incorrect information (electronically or in paper) will cause the Contractor to reprint/resubmit/correct and redistribute the Federal Supply Schedule Price List, and may constitute sufficient cause for Cancellation, applying the provisions of 52.212-4 ,Contract Terms and Conditions (paragraph (m), Termination for Cause), and application of any other remedies as provided by law--including monetary recovery.
- (7) In addition, one copy of the Federal Supply Schedule Price List must be submitted to the **National Customer Service** Center, Bldg. No. 4, 1500 E. Bannister Road, Kansas City, MO 64131.

I-FSS-639 CONTRACT SALES CRITERIA (MAR 2002)

- (a) A contract will not be awarded unless anticipated sales are expected to exceed \$25,000 within the first 24-months following contract award, and are expected to exceed \$25,000 in sales each 12-month period thereafter.
- (b) The Government may cancel the contract in accordance with clause 552.238-73, Cancellation, unless reported sales are at the levels specified in paragraph (a) above.

I-FSS-644 DEALERS AND SUPPLIERS (OCT 1988)

When requested by the Contracting Officer, if other than the manufacturer, the offeror must submit prior to award of a contract, either (1) a letter of commitment from the manufacturer which will assure the offeror of a source of supply sufficient to satisfy the Government's requirements for the contract period, OR (2) evidence that the offeror will have an uninterrupted source of supply from which to satisfy the Government's requirements for the contract period.

I-FSS-646 BLANKET PURCHASE AGREEMENTS (MAY 2000)

Blanket Purchase Agreements (BPA's) can reduce costs and save time because individual orders and invoices are not required for each procurement but can instead be documented on a consolidated basis. The Contractor agrees to enter into BPA's with ordering activities provided that:

- (a) The period of time covered by such agreements shall not exceed the period of the contract including option year period(s);
- (b) Orders placed under such agreements shall be issued in accordance with all applicable regulations and the terms and conditions of the contract; and
- (c) BPAs may be established to obtain the maximum discount (lowest net price) available in those schedule contracts containing volume or quantity discount arrangements.

I-FSS-680 DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION BY CONTRACTOR (APR 1984)

The Government will provide the Contractor with a single copy of the resulting Federal Supply Schedule. However, it is the responsibility of the Contractor to furnish all sales outlets authorized to participate in the performance of the contract with the terms, conditions, pricing schedule, and other appropriate information.

I-FSS-965 INTERPRETATION OF CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS (APR 1984)

No interpretation of any provision of this contract, including applicable specifications, shall be binding on the Government unless furnished or agreed to in writing by the Contracting Officer or his designated representative.

I-FSS-969 ECONOMIC PRICE ADJUSTMENT FSS MULTIPLE AWARD SCHEDULE (JAN 2002)

Price adjustments include price increases and price decreases. Adjustments will be considered as follows:

- (a) Contractors shall submit price decreases anytime during the contract period in which they occur. Price decreases will be handled in accordance with the provisions of the Price Reduction Clause.
- (b) There are two types of economic price adjustments (EPAs) possible under the Multiple Award Schedules (MAS) program for contracts not based on commercial catalogs or price lists as described below. Price adjustments may be effective on or after the first 12-months of the contract period on the following basis:
- (1) Adjustments based on escalation rates negotiated prior to contract award. Normally, when escalation rates are negotiated, they result in a fixed price for the term of the contract. No separate contract modification will be provided when increases are based on negotiated escalation rates. Price increases will be effective on the 12month anniversary date of the contract effective date, subject to paragraph (f), below.
- (2) Adjustments based on an agreed upon market indicator prior to award. The market indicator, as used in this clause, means the originally released public index, public survey or other public, based market indicator. The market indicator shall be the originally released index, survey or market indicator, not seasonally adjusted, published by the [to be negotiated], and made available at [to be identified]. Any price adjustment shall be based on the percentage change in the designated (i.e. indicator identification and date) market indicator from the initial award to the latest available as of the anniversary date of the contract effective date, subject to paragraph (e), below. If the market indicator is discontinued or deemed no longer available or reliable by the Government, the Government and the Contractor will mutually agree to a substitute. The contract modification

reflecting the price adjustment will be effective upon approval by the Contracting Officer, subject to paragraph (g), below. The adjusted prices shall apply to orders issued to the Contractor on or after the effective date of the contract modification.

- (c) Not withstanding the two economic price adjustments discussed above, the Government recognizes the potential impact of unforeseeable major changes in market conditions. For those cases where such changes do occur, the contracting officer will review requests to make adjustments, subject to the Government's examination of industry wide market conditions and the conditions in paragraph (d) and (e), below. If adjustments are accepted, the contract will be modified accordingly. The determination of whether or not extraordinary circumstances exist rests with the contracting officer. The determination of an appropriate mechanism of adjustment will be subject to negotiations.
- (d) Conditions of Price change requests under paragraphs b(2) and c above:
- (1) No more than three increases will be considered during each succeeding 12-month period of the contract. (For succeeding contract periods of less than 12-months, up to three increases will be considered subject to the other conditions of subparagraph (b)).
 - (2) Increases are requested before the last 60 days of the contract period, including options.
 - (3) At least 30 days elapse between requested increases.
- (4) In any contract period during which price increases will be considered, the aggregate of the increases during any 12-month period shall not exceed ten percent (10%) of the contract unit price in effect at the end of the preceding 12-month period. The Government reserves the right to raise the ceiling when market conditions during the contract period support such a change.
- (e) The following material shall be submitted with request for a price increase under paragraphs b(2) and c above:
 - (1) A copy of the index, survey or pricing indicator showing the price increase and the effective date.
- (2) Commercial Sales Practice format, per contract clause 52.21521 Alternate IV, demonstrating the relationship of the Contractor's commercial pricing practice to the adjusted pricing proposed or a certification that no change has occurred in the data since completion of the initial negotiation or a subsequent submission.
 - (3) Any other documentation requested by the Contracting Officer to support the reasonableness of the price increase.
- (f) The Government reserves the right to exercise one of the following options:
- (1) Accept the Contractor's price increases as requested when all conditions of (b), (c), (d), and (e) of this clause are satisfied:
 - (2) Negotiate more favorable prices when the total increase requested is not supported; or,
- (3) Decline the price increase when the request is not supported. The Contractor may remove the item(s) from contract involved pursuant to the Cancellation Clause of this contract.
- (g) Effective Date of Increases: No price increase shall be effective until the Government receives the electronic file updates pursuant to GSAR 552.24372, Modifications (Multiple Award Schedule).
- (h) All MAS contracts remain subject to contract clauses GSAR 552.23875, "Price Reductions"; and 552.21572, "Price Adjustment Failure to Provide Accurate Information." In the event the application of an economic price adjustment results in a price less favorable to the Government than the price relationship established during negotiation between the MAS price and the price to the designated customer, the Government will maintain the price relationship to the designated customer.

K-FSS-9 SECTION 8(a) REPR	RESENTATION FOR THE MULTIPLE AWARD SCHEDULE PROGRAM (SEP 2000)
The Offeror represents that it is] is not \square a current 8(a) Business Development Program participant, and that it wishes to be
designated as such on the FSS S (FPDS).	chedules E-Library and GSA <i>Advantage!</i> ™ as well as the Federal Procurement Data Systen
CONTRACTOR NAME:	DATE:

552.212-5 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT STATUTES OR EXECUTIVE ORDERS—COMMERCIAL ITEMS (APRIL 2005) 12.301 (b)(4)

- (a) The Contractor shall comply with the following Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) clauses, which are incorporated in this contract by reference, to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:
 - (1) 52.233-3, Protest After Award (AUG 1996) (31 U.S.C. 3553).
 - (2) 52.233-4, Applicable Law for Breach of Contract Claim (OCT 2004) (Pub. L. 108-77, 108-78).
- (b) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (b) that the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items: [Contracting Officer check as appropriate.]
- ✓ (1) 52.203-6, Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government (JUL 1995), with Alternate I (OCT 1995) (41 U.S.C. 253g and 10 U.S.C. 2402).
 - (2) 52.219-3, Notice of Total HUBZone Set-Aside (JAN 1999) (15 U.S.C. 657a).
- (3) 52.219-4, Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HUBZone Small Business Concerns (JAN 1999) (if the offeror elects to waive the preference, it shall so indicate in its offer) (15 U.S.C. 657a).
- (4) (i) 52.219-5, Very Small Business Set-Aside (JUN 2003) (Pub. L. 103-403, section 304, Small Business Reauthorization and Amendments Act of 1994).
 - (ii) Alternate I (MAR 1999) of 52.219-5.

- (iii) Alternate II (JUN 2003) of 52.219-5.
- ✓ (5) (i) 52.219-6, Notice of Total Small Business Set-Aside (JUN 2003) (15 U.S.C. 644).
 - (ii) Alternate I (OCT 1995) of 52.219-6.
 - (iii) Alternate II (MAR 2004) of 52.219-6.
 - (6) (i) 52.219-7, Notice of Partial Small Business Set-Aside (JUN 2003) (15 U.S.C. 644).
 - (ii) Alternate I (OCT 1995) of 52.219-7.
 - (iii) Alternate II (MAR 2004) of 52.219-7.
- √ (7) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (MAY 2004) (15 U.S.C. 637 (d) (2) and (3)).
- √ (8) (i) 52.219-9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan (JAN 2002) (15 U.S.C. 637 (d)(4)).
 - (ii) Alternate I (OCT 2001) of 52.219-9.
 - (iii) Alternate II (OCT 2001) of 52.219-9.
- √ (9) 52.219-14, Limitations on Subcontracting (DEC 1996) (15 U.S.C. 637 (a) (14)).
- (10) (i) 52.219-23, Notice of Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns (JUN 2003) (Pub. L. 103-355, section 7102, and 10 U.S.C. 2323) (if the offeror elects to waive the adjustment, it shall so indicate in its offer).
 - (ii) Alternate I (JUN 2003) of 52.219-23.
- (11) 52.219-25, Small Disadvantaged Business Participation Program—Disadvantaged Status and Reporting (OCT 1999) (Pub. L. 103-355, section 7102, and 10 U.S.C. 2323).
- (12) 52.219-26, Small Disadvantaged Business Participation Program—Incentive Subcontracting (OCT 2000) (Pub. L. 103-355, section 7102, and 10 U.S.C. 2323).
 - (13) 52.219-27, Notice of Total Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Set-Aside (MAY 2004).
- ✓ (14) 52.222-3, Convict Labor (JUN 2003) (E.O. 11755).
- √ (15) 52.222-19, Child Labor—Cooperation with Authorities and Remedies (JUN 2004) (E.O. 13126).
- ✓ (16) 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (FEB 1999).
- ✓ (17) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (APR 2002) (E.O. 11246).
- ✓ (18) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Special Disabled Veterans, Veterans of the Vietnam Era, and Other Eligible Veterans (DEC 2001) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
- (19) 52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Workers with Disabilities (JUN 1998) (29 U.S.C. 793).
- ✓ (20) 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Special Disabled Veterans, Veterans of the Vietnam Era, and Other Eligible Veterans (DEC 2001) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
- ✓ (21) 52.222-39, Notification of Employee Rights Concerning Payment of Union Dues or Fees (DEC 2004) (E.O. 13201).
- (22) (i) 52.223-9, Estimate of Percentage of Recovered Material Content for EPA-Designated Products (AUG 2000) (42 U.S.C. 6962 (c) (3) (A) (ii)).
 - (ii) Alternate I (AUG 2000) of 52.223-9 (42 U.S.C. 6962 (i) (2) (C)).
 - (23) 52.225-1, Buy American Act—Supplies (JUN 2003) (41 U.S.C. 10a-10d).
- (24) (i) 52.225-3, Buy American Act—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act (JAN 2005) (41 U.S.C. 10a-10d, 19 U.S.C. 3301 note, 19 U.S.C. 2112 note, Pub. L. 108-77, 108-78, 108-286).
 - (ii) Alternate I (JAN 2004) of 52.225-3.
 - (iii) Alternate II (JAN 2004) of 52.225-3.
- (25) 52.225-5, Trade Agreements (JAN 2005) (19 U.S.C. 2501, et seq., 19 U.S.C. 3301 note).
- (26) 52.225-13, Restrictions on Certain Foreign Purchases (MAR 2005) (E.o.s, proclamations, and statutes administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the Treasury).
 - (27) 52.225-15, Sanctioned European Union Country End Products (FEB 2000) (E.O. 12849).
 - (28) 52.225-16, Sanctioned European Union Country Services (FEB 2000) (E.O. 12849).
 - (29) 52.232-29, Terms for Financing of Purchases of Commercial Items (FEB 2002) (41 U.S.C. 255(f), 10 U.S.C. 2307(f)).
- (30) 52.232-30, Installment Payments for Commercial Items (OCT 1995) (41 U.S.C. 255(f), 10 U.S.C. 2307 (f)).
- ✓ (31) 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—Central Contractor Registration (OCT 2003) (31 U.S.C. 3332).
- ✓ (32) 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer—Other than Central Contractor Registration (MAY 1999) (31 U.S.C. 3332).
- (33) 52.232-36, Payment by Third Party (MAY 1999) (31 U.S.C. 3332).
 - (34) 52.239-1, Privacy or Security Safeguards (AUG 1996) (5 U.S.C. 552a).
- ✓ (35) (i) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (APR 2003) (46 U.S.C. Appx 1241 and 10 U.S.C. 2631).
 - (ii) Alternate I (APR 2003) of 52.247-64.
- (c) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (c), applicable to commercial services, that the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items: [Contracting Officer check as appropriate.]
- √ (1) 52.222-41, Service Contract Act of 1965, as Amended (MAY 1989) (41 U.S.C. 351, et seq.).
- √ (2) 52.222-42, Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Hires (MAY 1989) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. 351, et seq.).
- ✓ (3) 52.222-43, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Act—Price Adjustment (Multiple Year and Option Contracts) (MAY 1989) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. 351, et seq.).

- √ (4) 52.222-44, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Act—Price Adjustment (FEB 2002) (29 U.S.C. 206 and
 41 U.S.C. 351, et seq.).
- (5) 52.222-47, SCA Minimum Wages and Fringe Benefits Applicable to Successor Contract Pursuant to Predecessor Contractor Collective Bargaining Agreements (CBA) (MAY 1989) (41 U.S.C. 351, et seq.).
- (d) Comptroller General Examination of Record. The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of this paragraph (d) if this contract was awarded using other than sealed bid, is in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold, and does not contain the clause at 52.215-2, Audit and Records—Negotiation.
- (1) The Comptroller General of the United States, or an authorized representative of the Comptroller General, shall have access to and right to examine any of the Contractor's directly pertinent records involving transactions related to this contract.
- (2) The Contractor shall make available at its offices at all reasonable times the records, materials, and other evidence for examination, audit, or reproduction, until 3 years after final payment under this contract or for any shorter period specified in FAR Subpart 4.7, Contractor Records Retention, of the other clauses of this contract. If this contract is completely or partially terminated, the records relating to the work terminated shall be made available for 3 years after any resulting final termination settlement. Records relating to appeals under the disputes clause or to litigation or the settlement of claims arising under or relating to this contract shall be made available until such appeals, litigation, or claims are finally resolved.
- (3) As used in this clause, records include books, documents, accounting procedures and practices, and other data, regardless of type and regardless of form. This does not require the Contractor to create or maintain any record that the Contractor does not maintain in the ordinary course of business or pursuant to a provision of law.
- (e) (1) Notwithstanding the requirements of the clauses in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), and (d) of this clause, the Contractor is not required to flow down any FAR clause, other than those in paragraphs (i) through (vi) of this paragraph in a subcontract for commercial items. Unless otherwise indicated below, the extent of the flow down shall be as required by the clause—
- (i) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (MAY 2004) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)), in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities. If the subcontract (except subcontracts to small business concerns) exceeds \$500,000 (\$1,000,000 for construction of any public facility), the subcontractor must include 52.219-8 in lower tier subcontracts that offer subcontracting opportunities.
 - (ii) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (APR 2002) (E.O. 11246).
- (iii) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Special Disabled Veterans, Veterans of the Vietnam Era, and Other Eligible Veterans (DEC 2001) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
 - (iv) 52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Workers with Disabilities (JUN 1998) (29 U.S.C. 793).
 - (v) 52.222-39, Notification of Employee Rights Concerning Payment of Union Dues or Fees (DEC 2004) (E.O. 13201).
- (vi) 52.222-41, Service Contract Act of 1965, as Amended (MAY 1989), flow down required for all subcontracts subject to the Service Contract Act of 1965 (41 U.S.C. 351, et seq.).
- (vii) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (APR 2003) (46 U.S.C. Appx 1241 and 10 U.S.C. 2631). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (d) of FAR clause 52.247-64.
- (2) While not required, the contractor may include in its subcontracts for commercial items a minimal number of additional clauses necessary to satisfy its contractual obligations.

DOCUMENTS, EXHIBITS, OR ATTACHMENTS

Past Performance – In order to assist the Government in assessing an offeror's past performance, each company responding to this solicitation is required to have Dun and Bradstreet (D&B) complete a Past Performance Evaluation Report on that firm. The request to D&B must be made prior to submission of a proposal. Each offeror must submit, with its proposal, a completed copy of the past performance evaluation sent by the offeror to Dun and Bradstreet. Any charges associated with the Past Performance Evaluation Report will be paid by the offeror. The form follows on the next page, and more information about the D&B form follows:

QUESTIONS? Call 800-999-3867 x 7862, and ask for information about the Past Performance Evaluation Report. Also, more information on Past Performance Evaluation performed by D&B can be accessed in the Internet at http://www.dnb.com. This form is for ordering a Past Performance Evaluation Report as required by GSA. A Past Performance Evaluation Report will be sent directly to GSA for a fee of \$125*.Past Performance Evaluation Reports are furnished subject to the following conditions: *Subject to change.

- 1. The report requested is to be sent directly to GSA and to you;
- 2. D&B does not guarantee or warrant the information and you agree that even if D&B is negligent in preparing the information, D&B shall not be liable to you or your company or business for any loss resulting from reliance on it;
- 3. If for any reason a court holds D&B liable based on reliance of the information the amount of such liability shall not exceed \$10,000.

The information provided to and received by D&B may be maintained by D&B, but D&B will never sell the information.

PAST PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

TO ORDER, COMPLETE THE ATTACHED FORMS AND MAIL, FAX OR E-MAIL THEM TO:

OPEN RATINGS, INC. 600 FIRST AVENUE NORTH, #200 ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33701 FAX NUMBER: 727-867-4129 E-FAX: 866-743-4239

E-MAIL: reports@openratings.com

SECTION ONE: ABOUT YOUR COMPANY

PLEASE PREPARE AND DISTRIBUTE A PAST PERFORMANCE EVALUATION ON MY COMPANY, AS LISTED BELOW:

YOUR COMPANY NAME
DUNS NUMBER
YOUR COMPANY STREET ADDRESS
CITY, STATE, ZIP
YOUR COMPANY PHONE NUMBER
YOUR COMPANY FAX NUMBER
YOUR PERSONAL/CONTACT NAME
YOUR TITLE
YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS

If you don't know your company's DUNS number, go to: http://dnb.com/dnbhome.htm

SECTION TWO: THE RECIPIENT OF THE INFORMATION

PROVIDE ONE COPY OF THE PAST PERFORMANCE EVALUATION REPORT ON MY COMPANY TO THE FOLLOWING:

COMPANY NAM	IE			
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BILL TO MY CREDIT CARD:	☐ AMERICAN EXPRESS	□VISA	☐ MASTERCARD	
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St. Petersburg, FL 33701
AGREE TO PAY \$125 FOR THE PREPARA

I AGREE TO PAY \$125 FOR THE PREPARATION/DISTRIBUTION OF MY PAST PERFORMANCE EVALUATION, COPIES OF WHICH WILL BE PROVIDED BOTH TO MY COMPANY AND THE COMPANY IDENTIFIED IN SECTION TWO ABOVE. I ALSO AGREE TO PAY \$25 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL COPY THAT I MIGHT ORDER AT A LATER DATE.

This report will be provided under contract solely for use by the customer and may not be reproduced in whole or part in any manner whatsoever.

QUESTIONS? CALL 727-329-1184

CUSTOMER REFERENCES ARE PERSON(S) WHO HAVE PURCHASED PRODUCT OR SERVICES FROM YOUR COMPANY. We must have customer, not vendor, references.

1. CUSTOMER NAME:

PAST PERFORMANCE EVALUATION REPORT

PLEASE PROVIDE 20 OF YOUR CUSTOMERS TO BE SURVEYED ALL FIELDS EXCEPT DUNS NUMBER AND FAX ARE REQUIRED

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2.	CUSTOMER NAME:	
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19. CUSTOMER NAME

DUNS NUMBER (If known):

CITY/STATE:

NAME OF CONTACT:

PHONE: FAX:

E-MAIL ADDRESS:

20. CUSTOMER NAME:

DUNS NUMBER (If known):

CITY/STATE:

NAME OF CONTACT:

PHONE: FAX:

E-MAIL ADDRESS:

CONTINUOUS PAST PERFORMANCE CHECKS

On each successive 12-month anniversary date of the Contractor's corporate contract award, and as directed by the Contracting Officer, the Contractor shall provide the information stated below on all completed schedule orders of \$100,000 or higher to GSA, or to a third-party, as directed by GSA. GSA may evaluate, or arrange to have evaluated, the Contractor's performance on orders placed under the corporate schedule and make past performance results available to authorized personnel. If GSA elects to require the Contractor to arrange for his/her own evaluation among schedule customers, a process similar to that of the Dun & Bradstreet past performance evaluation used for the initial contract award will be used and the Contractor shall be required to bear the cost of such evaluation.

Unless notified otherwise in writing by the Contracting Officer, the Contractor may assume contract performance is satisfactory. Past performance will be evaluated in accordance with the procedures set forth in FAR Subpart 42.15. **Exhibit 1** (available along with this solicitation at www.eps.gov) contains typical questions that may be used to evaluate Contractor performance on orders placed under this Schedule.

GSA Contract No.
SIN
Agency Name
Point of Contact
Address (including City, State and Zip)
Telephone Number
Facsimile Number
E-Mail Address (if available)

CONTRACTOR TASKS / SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Security Clearances: The Contractor may be required to obtain/possess varying levels of security clearances in the performance of orders issued under this contract. All costs associated with obtaining/possessing such security clearances shall be borne by the Contractor.

Travel: The Contractor may be required to travel in performance of orders issued under this contract. Travel costs incurred for transportation and per diem (lodging, meals and incidental expenses) shall be billed in accordance with P.L. 99-234, FAR 31.205-46, Travel Costs, and the contractor's cost accounting system. These costs may be directly reimbursable by the ordering agency, unless the order specifies otherwise.

Certifications, Licenses and Accreditations: As a commercial practice, the Contractor may be required to obtain/possess any variety of certifications, licenses and accreditations for specific FSC/service code classifications offered. All costs associated with obtaining/possessing such certifications, licenses and accreditations shall be borne by the Contractor.

Insurance: As a commercial practice, the Contractor may be required to obtain/possess insurance coverage for specific FSC/service code classifications offered. All costs associated with obtaining/possessing such insurance shall be borne by the Contractor.

Personnel: The Contractor may be required to provide key personnel or resumes or skill category descriptions in the performance of orders issued under this contract. Ordering activities may require agency approval of key personnel, additions or replacements.

Organizational Conflicts of Interest: Where there may be an organizational conflict of interest as determined by the ordering agency, the Contractor's participation in such order may be restricted in accordance with FAR Part 9.5.

Documentation/Standards: The Contractor shall be required to provide products or services in accordance with rules, regulations, OMB orders, standards and documentation as specified herein and as may be specified by the agency's order.

Data/Deliverable Requirements: Any required data/deliverables at the ordering level will be as specified or negotiated in the agency's order.

Government-Furnished Property: As specified by the agency's order, the Government may provide property, equipment, materials or resources as necessary.

Availability of Funds: Funds are not presently available for any orders placed under the contract or any option year. The Government's obligation under this contract is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds from which payment for ordering purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of the Government for any payment may arise until funds are available to the ordering Contracting Officer.

OFFERS RECEIVED WITHOUT THE BELOW CSP-1 FORM COMPLETED WILL BE RETURNED.

CSP-1 COMMERCIAL SA	ALES PRACTICES FORMAT	•			
Name of Offeror					
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discounting policies), are the price (discount and concest terms and conditions? YES (4) (a) Based on your wrighter discounting policies), providuaccordance with the instruction	n discounting policies (stand ne discounts and any conces sions in any combination) offices. NO (See definite discounting policies (state information as requested fections at Figure 515.4-2, whice chart below or in an equisitomers as required.	sions wered to nition of andard of for each ch is pr	which you any cus "conces commerc n SIN (or ovided in	offer the Government equal tomer acquiring the same iter sion" and "discount" in 552.2° cial sales practices in the ever group of SINs for which the this solicitation for your con	to or better than your best ns regardless of quantity or 12-70.) ent you do not have written information is the same) in evenience. The information
Column 1— Customer		olumn 3 uantity/	3— Volume	Column 4— FOB Term	Column 5— Concessions
result in better discounts (from your written policies or (lower prices) or concessions etions at Figure 515.4-2, which	s than i	indicated		YES, explain deviations in

- (5) If you are a dealer/reseller without significant sales to the general public, you should provide manufacturers' information required by paragraphs (1) through (4) above for each item/SIN offered, if the manufacturer's sales under any resulting contract are expected to exceed \$500,000. You must also obtain written authorization from the manufacturer(s) for Government access, at any time before award or before agreeing to a modification, to the manufacturer's sales records for the purpose of verifying the information submitted by the manufacturer. The information is required in order to enable the Government to make a determination that the offered price is fair and reasonable. To expedite the review and processing of offers, you should advise the manufacturer(s) of this requirement. The contracting officer may require the information be submitted on electronic media with commercially available spreadsheet(s). The information may be provided by the manufacturer directly to the Government. If the manufacturer's item(s) is being offered by multiple dealers/resellers, only one copy of the requested information should be submitted to the Government. In addition, you must submit the following information along with a listing of contact information regarding each of the manufacturers whose products and/or services are included in the offer (include the manufacturer's name, address, the manufacturer's contact point, telephone number, and FAX number) for each model offered by SIN:
 - (a) Manufacturer's Name
 - (b) Manufacturer's Part Number
 - (c) Dealer's/Reseller's Part Number
 - (d) Product Description
 - (e) Manufacturer's List Price
 - (f) Dealer's/Reseller's percentage discount from List Price or net prices

Figure 515.4-2--Instructions for Commercial Sales Practices Format

If you responded "YES" to question (3), on the COMMERCIAL SALES PRACTICES FORMAT, complete the chart in question (4)(a) for the customer(s) who receive your best discount. If you responded "NO" complete the chart in question (4)(a) showing your written policies or standard sales practices for all customers or customer categories to whom you sell at a price (discounts and concessions in combination) that is equal to or better than the price(s) offered to the Government under this solicitation or with which the Offeror has a current agreement to sell at a discount which equals or exceeds the discount(s) offered under this solicitation. Such agreement shall be in effect on the date the offer is submitted or contain an effective date during the proposed multiple award schedule contract period. If your offer is lower than your price to other customers or customer categories, you will be aligned with the customer or category of customer that receives your best price for purposes of the Price Reduction clause at 552.238-75. The Government expects you to provide information required by the format in accordance with these instructions that is, to the best of your knowledge and belief, current, accurate, and complete as of 14 calendar days prior to its submission. You must also disclose any changes in your price list(s), discounts and/or discounting policies which occur after the offer is submitted, but before the close of negotiations. If your discount practices vary by model or product line, the discount information should be by model or product line as appropriate. You may limit the number of models or product lines reported to those which exceed 75% of actual historical Government sales (commercial sales may be substituted if Government sales are unavailable) value of the special item number (SIN).

Column 1--Identify the applicable customer or category of customer. A "customer" is any entity, except the Federal Government, which acquires supplies or services from the Offeror. The term customer includes, but is not limited to original equipment manufacturers; value added resellers, state and local governments, distributors, educational institutions (an elementary, junior high, or degree granting school which maintains a regular faculty and established curriculum and an organized body of students), dealers, national accounts, and end users. In any instance where the Offeror is asked to disclose information for a customer, the Offeror may disclose information by category of customer if the offeror's discount policies or practices are the same for all customers in the category. (Use a separate line for each customer or category of customer.)

Column 2-Identify the discount. The term "discount" is as defined in solicitation clause 552.212-70, Preparation of Offer (Multiple Award Schedule). Indicate the best discount (based on your written discounting policies or standard commercial discounting practices if you do not have written discounting policies) at which you sell to the customer or category of customer identified in column 1, without regard to quantity; terms and conditions of the agreements under which the discounts are given; and whether the agreements are written or oral. Net prices or discounts off of other price lists should be expressed as percentage discounts from the price list which is the basis of your offer. If the discount disclosed is a combination of various discounts (prompt payment, quantity, etc.), the percentage should be broken out for each type of discount. If the price lists which are the basis of the discounts given to the customers identified in the chart are different than the price list submitted upon which your offer is based, identify the type or title and date of each price list. The contracting officer may require submission of these price lists. To expedite evaluation, offerors may provide these price lists at the time of submission.

Column 3--Identify the quantity or volume of sales. Insert the minimum quantity or sales volume which the identified customer or category of customer must either purchase/order, per order or within a specified period, to earn the discount. When purchases/orders must be placed within a specified period to earn a discount indicate the time period.

Column 4--Indicate the FOB delivery term for each identified customer. See FAR 47.3 for an explanation of FOB delivery terms.

Column 5--Indicate concessions regardless of quantity granted to the identified customer or category of customer. Concessions are defined in solicitation clause 552.212-70, Preparation of Offers (Multiple Award Schedule). If the space provided is inadequate, the disclosure should be made on a separate sheet by reference.

If you respond "YES" to question 4 (b) in the Commercial Sales Practices Format, provide an explanation of the circumstances under which you deviate from your written policies or standard commercial sales practices disclosed in the chart on the Commercial Sales Practices Format and explain how often they occur. Your explanation should include a discussion of situations that lead to deviations from standard practice, an explanation of how often they occur, and the controls you employ to assure the integrity of your pricing. Examples of typical deviations may

include, but are not limited to, one time goodwill discounts to charity organizations or to compensate an otherwise disgruntled customer; a limited sale of obsolete or damaged goods; the sale of sample goods to a new customer; or the sales of prototype goods for testing purposes.

If deviations from your written policies or standard commercial sales practices disclosed in the chart on the Commercial Sales Practices Format are so significant and/or frequent that the Contracting Officer cannot establish whether the price(s) offered is fair and reasonable, then you may be asked to provide additional information. The Contracting Officer may ask for information to demonstrate that you have made substantial sales of the item(s) in the commercial market consistent with the information reflected on the chart on the Commercial Sales Practice Format, a description of the conditions surrounding those sales deviations, or other information that may be necessary in order for the Contracting Officer to determine whether your offered price(s) is fair and reasonable. In cases where additional information is requested, the Contracting Officer will target the request in order to limit the submission of data to that needed to establish the reasonableness of the offered price.

52.212-1 INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS—COMMERCIAL ITEMS (JAN 2005)

- a) North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code and small business size standard. The NAICS code and small business size standard for this acquisition appear in Block 10 of the solicitation cover sheet (SF 1449). However, the small business size standard for a concern which submits an offer in its own name, but which proposes to furnish an item which it did not itself manufacture, is 500 employees.
- (b) Submission of offers. Submit signed and dated offers to the office specified in this solicitation at or before the exact time specified in this solicitation. Offers may be submitted on the SF 1449, letterhead stationery, or as otherwise specified in the solicitation. As a minimum, offers must show--
 - (1) The solicitation number:
 - (2) The time specified in the solicitation for receipt of offers;
 - (3) The name, address, and telephone number of the offeror;
- (4) A technical description of the items being offered in sufficient detail to evaluate compliance with the requirements in the solicitation. This may include product literature, or other documents, if necessary;
 - (5) Terms of any express warranty;
 - (6) Price and any discount terms;
 - (7) "Remit to" address, if different than mailing address;
- (8) A completed copy of the representations and certifications at FAR 52.212-3 (see FAR 52.212-3(j) for those representations and certifications that the offeror shall complete electronically);
 - (9) Acknowledgment of Solicitation Amendments;
- (10) Past performance information, when included as an evaluation factor, to include recent and relevant contracts for the same or similar items and other references (including contract numbers, points of contact with telephone numbers and other relevant information); and
- (11) If the offer is not submitted on the SF 1449, include a statement specifying the extent of agreement with all terms, conditions, and provisions included in the solicitation. Offers that fail to furnish required representations or information, or reject the terms and conditions of the solicitation may be excluded from consideration.
- (c) Period for acceptance of offers. The offeror agrees to hold the prices in its offer firm for 30 calendar days from the date specified for receipt of offers, unless another time period is specified in an addendum to the solicitation.
- (d) Product samples. When required by the solicitation, product samples shall be submitted at or prior to the time specified for receipt of offers. Unless otherwise specified in this solicitation, these samples shall be submitted at no expense to the Government, and returned at the sender's request and expense, unless they are destroyed during preaward testing.
- (e) Multiple offers. Offerors are encouraged to submit multiple offers presenting alternative terms and conditions or commercial items for satisfying the requirements of this solicitation. Each offer submitted will be evaluated separately.
- (f) Late submissions, modifications, revisions, and withdrawals of offers.
- (1) Offerors are responsible for submitting offers, and any modifications, revisions, or withdrawals, so as to reach the Government office designated in the solicitation by the time specified in the solicitation. If no time is specified in the solicitation, the time for receipt is 4:30 p.m., local time, for the designated Government office on the date that offers or revisions are due.
- (2) (i) Any offer, modification, revision, or withdrawal of an offer received at the Government office designated in the solicitation after the exact time specified for receipt of offers is "late" and will not be considered unless it is received before award is made, the Contracting Officer determines that accepting the late offer would not unduly delay the acquisition; and--
- (A) If it was transmitted through an electronic commerce method authorized by the solicitation, it was received at the initial point of entry to the Government infrastructure not later than 5:00 p.m. one working day prior to the date specified for receipt of offers; or
- (B) There is acceptable evidence to establish that it was received at the Government installation designated for receipt of offers and was under the Government's control prior to the time set for receipt of offers; or
 - (C) If this solicitation is a request for proposals, it was the only proposal received.
- (ii) However, a late modification of an otherwise successful offer, that makes its terms more favorable to the Government, will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.
- (3) Acceptable evidence to establish the time of receipt at the Government installation includes the time/date stamp of that installation on the offer wrapper, other documentary evidence of receipt maintained by the installation, or oral testimony or statements of Government personnel.

- (4) If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal Government processes so that offers cannot be received at the Government office designated for receipt of offers by the exact time specified in the solicitation, and urgent Government requirements preclude amendment of the solicitation or other notice of an extension of the closing date, the time specified for receipt of offers will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal Government processes resume.
- (5) Offers may be withdrawn by written notice received at any time before the exact time set for receipt of offers. Oral offers in response to oral solicitations may be withdrawn orally. If the solicitation authorizes facsimile offers, offers may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before the exact time set for receipt of offers, subject to the conditions specified in the solicitation concerning facsimile offers. An offer may be withdrawn in person by an offeror or its authorized representative if, before the exact time set for receipt of offers, the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the offer.
- (g) Contract award (not applicable to Invitation for Bids). The Government intends to evaluate offers and award a contract without discussions with offerors. Therefore, the offeror's initial offer should contain the offeror's best terms from a price and technical standpoint. However, the Government reserves the right to conduct discussions if later determined by the Contracting Officer to be necessary. The Government may reject any or all offers if such action is in the public interest; accept other than the lowest offer; and waive informalities and minor irregularities in offers received.
- (h) Multiple awards. The Government may accept any item or group of items of an offer, unless the offeror qualifies the offer by specific limitations. Unless otherwise provided in the Schedule, offers may not be submitted for quantities less than those specified. The Government reserves the right to make an award on any item for a quantity less than the quantity offered, at the unit prices offered, unless the offeror specifies otherwise in the offer.
- (i) Availability of requirements documents cited in the solicitation.
- (1) (i) Availability of requirements documents cited in the solicitation. (1)(i) The GSA Index of Federal Specifications, Standards and Commercial Item Descriptions, FPMR Part 101-29, and copies of specifications, standards, and commercial item descriptions cited in this solicitation may be obtained for a fee by submitting a request to--GSA Federal Supply Service Specifications Section, Suite 8100, 470 East L'Enfant Plaza, SW, Washington, DC 20407, Telephone (202) 619-8925, Facsimile (202) 619-8978.
- (ii) If the General Services Administration, Department of Agriculture, or Department of Veterans Affairs issued this solicitation, a single copy of specifications, standards, and commercial item descriptions cited in this solicitation may be obtained free of charge by submitting a request to the addressee in paragraph (i)(1)(i) of this provision. Additional copies will be issued for a fee.
- (2) The DoD Index of Specifications and Standards (DoDISS) and documents listed in it may be obtained from the-Department of Defense Single Stock Point (DoDSSP), Building 4, Section D, 700 Robbins Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19111-5094, Telephone (215) 697-2667/2179, Facsimile (215) 697-1462.
 - (i) Automatic distribution may be obtained on a subscription basis.
 - (ii) Order forms, pricing information, and customer support information may be obtained--
 - (A) By telephone at (215) 697-2667/2179; or
 - (B) Through the DoDSSP Internet site at http://dodssp.daps.mil.
- (3) Nongovernment (voluntary) standards must be obtained from the organization responsible for their preparation, publication or maintenance.
- (j) Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Number. (Applies to all offers exceeding \$25,000, and offers of \$25,000 or less if the solicitation requires the Contractor to be registered in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database.) The offeror shall enter, in the block with its name and address on the cover page of its offer, the annotation "DUNS" or "DUNS +4" followed by the DUNS or DUNS +4 number that identifies the offeror's name and address. The DUNS +4 is the DUNS number plus a 4-character suffix that may be assigned at the discretion of the offeror to establish additional CCR records for identifying alternative Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) accounts (see FAR Subpart 32.11) for the same parent concern. If the offeror does not have a DUNS number, it should contact Dun and Bradstreet directly to obtain one. An offeror within the United States may contact Dun and Bradstreet by calling 1-866-705-5711 or via the internet at http://www.dnb.com. An offeror located outside the United States must contact the local Dun and Bradstreet office for a DUNS number.
- (k) Central Contractor Registration. Unless exempted by an addendum to this solicitation, by submission of an offer, the offeror acknowledges the requirement that a prospective awardee shall be registered in the CCR database prior to award, during performance and through final payment of any contract resulting from this solicitation. If the Offeror does not become registered in the CCR database in the time prescribed by the Contracting Officer, the Contracting Officer will proceed to award to the next otherwise successful registered Offeror. Offerors may obtain information on registration and annual confirmation requirements via the Internet at http://www.ccr.gov or by calling 1-888-227-2423 or 269-961-5757.
- (I) Debriefing. If a post-award debriefing is given to requesting offerors, the Government shall disclose the following information, if applicable:
 - (1) The agency's evaluation of the significant weak or deficient factors in the debriefed offeror's offer.
- (2) The overall evaluated cost or price and technical rating of the successful and the debriefed offeror and past performance information on the debriefed offeror.
 - (3) The overall ranking of all offerors, when any ranking was developed by the agency during source selection.
 - (4) A summary of the rationale for award;

- (5) For acquisitions of commercial items, the make and model of the item to be delivered by the successful offeror.
- (6) Reasonable responses to relevant questions posed by the debriefed offeror as to whether source-selection procedures set forth in the solicitation, applicable regulations, and other applicable authorities were followed by the agency.

ADDENDUM TO 52.212-1 – INSTRUCTIONS TO THE OFFEROR

CI-FSS-2 SUBMISSION OF OFFERS—ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS (MAR 1996)

Offerors are requested to submit a signed <u>original and 1 copy</u> of SF-1449 together with all addenda and attachments complete in every respect with the exception of oversized blueprints, drawings, or similar documents attached to the solicitation. Oversized blueprints, drawings, or similar documents are not required to be duplicated for the purpose of submitting a duplicate copy of the offer to GSA.

52.204-4 PRINTED OR COPIED DOUBLE-SIDED ON RECYCLED PAPER (AUG 2000)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause-

Postconsumer material means a material or finished product that has served its intended use and has been discarded for disposal or recovery, having completed its life as a consumer item. Postconsumer material is a part of the broader category of "recovered material." For paper and paper products, postconsumer material means "postconsumer fiber" defined by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as—

- (1) Paper, paperboard, and fibrous materials from retail stores, office buildings, homes, and so forth, after they have passed through their end-usage as a consumer item, including: used corrugated boxes; old newspapers; old magazines; mixed waste paper; tabulating cards; and used cordage; or
 - (2) All paper, paperboard, and fibrous materials that enter and are collected from municipal solid waste; but not
 - (3) Fiber derived from printers' over-runs, converters' scrap, and over-issue publications.

Printed or copied double-sided means printing or reproducing a document so that information is on both sides of a sheet of paper.

Recovered material, for paper and paper products, is defined by EPA in its Comprehensive Procurement Guideline as "recovered fiber" and means the following materials:

- (1) Postconsumer fiber; and
- (2) Manufacturing wastes such as-
- (i) Dry paper and paperboard waste generated after completion of the papermaking process (that is, those manufacturing operations up to and including the cutting and trimming of the paper machine reel into smaller rolls or rough sheets) including: envelope cuttings, bindery trimmings, and other paper and paperboard waste resulting from printing, cutting, forming, and other converting operations; bag, box, and carton manufacturing wastes; and butt rolls, mill wrappers, and rejected unused stock; and
- (ii) Repulped finished paper and paperboard from obsolete inventories of paper and paperboard manufacturers, merchants, wholesalers, dealers, printers, converters, or others.
- (b) In accordance with Section 101 of Executive Order 13101 of September 14, 1998, Greening the Government through Waste Prevention, Recycling, and Federal Acquisition, the Contractor is encouraged to submit paper documents, such as offers, letters, or reports, that are printed or copied double-sided on recycled paper that meet minimum content standards specified in Section 505 of Executive Order 13101, when not using electronic commerce methods to submit information or data to the Government.
- (c) If the Contractor cannot purchase high-speed copier paper, offset paper, forms bond, computer printout paper, carbonless paper, file folders, white wove envelopes, writing and office paper, book paper, cotton fiber paper, and cover stock meeting the 30 percent postconsumer material standard for use in submitting paper documents to the Government, it should use paper containing no less than 20 percent postconsumer material. This lesser standard should be used only when paper meeting the 30 percent postconsumer material standard is not obtainable at a reasonable price or does not meet reasonable performance standards.

52.212-3 OFFEROR REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS--COMMERCIAL ITEMS (MAY 2005)

An offeror shall complete only paragraph (j) of this provision if the offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically at http://orca.bpn.gov. If an offeror has not completed the annual representations and certifications electronically at the ORCA website, the offeror shall complete only paragraphs (b) through (i) of this provision.

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision:

"Emerging small business" means a small business concern whose size is no greater than 50 percent of the numerical size standard for the NAICS code designated.

"Forced or indentured child labor" means all work or service-

(1) Exacted from any person under the age of 18 under the menace of any penalty for its nonperformance and for which the worker does not offer himself voluntarily; or

have income effectively place of business or a

(2) Performed by any person under the age of 18 pursuant to a contract the enforcement of which can be accomplished by process or penalties.

"Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern"—

(1) Means a small business concern-

TIN ____

- (i) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more service—disabled veterans or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans; and
- (ii) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of a veteran with permanent and severe disability, the spouse or permanent caregiver of such veteran.
- (2) Service-disabled veteran means a veteran, as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101(2), with a disability that is service-connected, as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101(16).

"Small business concern" means a concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in the field of operation in which it is bidding on Government contracts, and qualified as a small business under the criteria in 13 CFR part 121 and size standards in this solicitation.

"Veteran-owned small business concern" means a small business concern—

- (1) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more veterans (as defined at 38 U.S.C. 101(2)) or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more veterans; and
 - (2) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more veterans.

"Women-owned business concern" means a concern which is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women; or in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of its stock is owned by one or more women; and whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.

"Women-owned small business concern" means a small business concern—

- (1) That is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women; or, in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more women; and
 - (2) Whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.
- (b) Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) (26 U.S.C. 6109, 31 U.S.C. 7701). (Not applicable if the offeror is required to provide this information to a central contractor registration database to be eligible for award.)
- (1) All offerors must submit the information required in paragraphs (b)(3) through (b)(5) of this provision to comply with debt collection requirements of 31 U.S.C. 7701(c) and 3325(d), reporting requirements of 26 U.S.C. 6041, 6041A, and 6050M, and implementing regulations issued by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).
- (2) The TIN may be used by the Government to collect and report on any delinquent amounts arising out of the offeror's relationship with the Government (31 U.S.C. 7701(c)(3)). If the resulting contract is subject to the payment reporting requirements described in FAR 4.904, the TIN provided hereunder may be matched with IRS records to verify the accuracy of the offeror's TIN.

(3)	Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN).
	 ☐ TIN: ☐ TIN has been applied for. ☐ TIN is not required because: ☐ Offeror is a nonresident alien, foreign corporation, or foreign partnership that does not ed with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States and does not have an office or ying agent in the United States; ☐ Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a foreign government; ☐ Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of the Federal Government.
(4)	Type of organization. Sole proprietorship; Partnership; Corporate entity (not tax-exempt); Corporate entity (tax-exempt); Government entity (Federal, State, or local); Foreign government; International organization per 26 CFR 1.6049-4; Other
(5)	Common parent. Offeror is not owned or controlled by a common parent; Name and TIN of common parent:
	Name

(c) Offerors must complete the following representation its outlying areas. Check all that apply. (1) Small business concern. The offeror represents (2) Veteran-owned small business concern. [Comparagraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents business concern.	s as part of its offer that it is, older only if the offeror represented	is not a small business concern. I itself as a small business concern in
(3) Service-disabled veteran-owned small business owned small business concern in paragraph (c)(2) of this not a service-disabled veteran-owned small business cor	s <i>provision.</i>] The offeror representancern.	s as part of its offer that it \square is, \square is
(4) Small disadvantaged business concern. [Comparagraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror repres disadvantaged business concern as defined in 13 CFR 1	sents, for general statistical purpo 24.1002.	ses, that it \square is, \square is not a small
(5) Women-owned small business concern. [Comparagraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror representations. Complete paragraphs (c)(6) and (c)(7) only	s that it 🗌 is, 🔲 is not a women-ov	wned small business concern.
threshold. (6) Women-owned business concern (other than sometimess concern and did not represent itself as a small represents that it ☐ is a women-owned business concern that it ☐ is a wowen-owned	all business concern in paragraph n.	(c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror
(7) Tie bid priority for labor surplus area concerns. labor surplus areas in which costs to be incurred subcontractors) amount to more than 50 percent of the contractors.	on account of manufacturing or	
(8) Small Business Size for the Small Business Contegories under the Small Business Competitiveness I itself to be a small business concern under the size stand (i) [Complete only for solicitations indicated in of the designated industry groups (DIGs).] The offeror	Demonstration Program. [Comple dards for this solicitation.] a an addendum as being set-aside	te only if the offeror has represented for emerging small businesses in one
business. (ii) [Complete only for solicitations indicated a	·	
(TICs) or designated industry groups (DIGs).] Offeror rep (A) Offeror's number of employees for the the solicitation is expressed in terms of number of employees.	presents as follows: past 12 months (check the Employ	
(B) Offeror's average annual gross revenu Revenues column if size standard stated in the solicitatio	ie for the last 3 fiscal years (check t	
(Check one of the following):		
Number of Employees	Average Annual Gross Revenues	
☐ 50 or fewer	☐ \$1 million or less	
<u></u> 51-100	\$1,000,001-\$2 million	
101-250	\$2,000,001-\$3.5 million	
251-500	\$3,500,001-\$5 million	
□ 501-750	\$5.000.001-\$10 million	

(9) [Complete only if the solicitation contains the clause at FAR 52.219-23, Notice of Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns, or FAR 52.219-25, Small Disadvantaged Business Participation Program—Disadvantaged Status and Reporting, and the offeror desires a benefit based on its disadvantaged status.]

Over \$17 million

☐ \$10,000,001-\$17 million

(i) General. The offeror represents that either—

751-1,000 Over 1,000

(A) It is, is not certified by the Small Business Administration as a small disadvantaged business concern and identified, on the date of this representation, as a certified small disadvantaged business concern in the database maintained by the Small Business Administration (PRO-Net), and that no material change in disadvantaged ownership and control has occurred since its certification, and, where the concern is owned by one or more individuals claiming disadvantaged status, the net worth of each individual upon whom the certification is based does not exceed \$750,000 after taking into account the applicable exclusions set forth at 13 CFR 124.104(c)(2); or

(B) It ☐ has, ☐ has not submitted a completed application to the Small Business Administration or a Private Certifier to be certified as a small disadvantaged business concern in accordance with 13 CFR 124, Subpart B, and a decision

	al change in disadvantaged ownership and control has occurred since its
offeror represents, as part of its offer, that it is a joint the representation in paragraph (c)(9)(i) of this proparticipating in the joint venture. [The offeror shape of the content of	valuation Adjustment for Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns. The venture that complies with the requirements in 13 CFR 124.1002(f) and that ovision is accurate for the small disadvantaged business concern that is all enter the name of the small disadvantaged business concern that is
(10) HUBZone small business concern. [Coparagraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror representations	
(i) It ☐ is, ☐ is not a HUBZone small to Qualified HUBZone Small Business Concerns main ownership and control, principal office, or HUBZone	business concern listed, on the date of this representation, on the List of ntained by the Small Business Administration, and no material change in e employee percentage has occurred since it was certified by the Small
paragraph (c)(10)(i) of this provision is accurate for the joint venture. [The offeror shall enter the name	implies with the requirements of 13 CFR part 126, and the representation in the HUBZone small business concern or concerns that are participating in or names of the HUBZone small business concern or concerns that are] Each HUBZone small business concern participating in the
(d) Representations required to implement provision	ns of Executive Order 11246—
(1) Previous contracts and compliance. The off(i) It ☐ has, ☐ has not participated in a participated in a participated.	feror represents that— previous contract or subcontract subject to the Equal Opportunity clause of
this solicitation; and (ii) It ☐ has, ☐ has not filed all required co	ompliance reports
(2) Affirmative Action Compliance. The offeror	represents that—
affirmative action programs required by rules and reg (ii) It ☐ has not previously had contracts	has not developed and does not have on file, at each establishment, relations of the Secretary of Labor (41 CFR parts 60-1 and 60-2), or subject to the written affirmative action programs requirement of the rules
expected to exceed \$100,000.) By submission of its Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an	Federal Transactions (31 U.S.C. 1352). (Applies only if the contract is soffer, the offeror certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that no e paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or officer or employee of Congress or an employee of a Member of Congress
on his or her behalf in connection with the award of at (f) Buy American Act Certificate. (Applies only if the	ny resultant contract. he clause at Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 52.225-1, Buy American
Act Supplies, is included in this solicitation.)	except those listed in paragraph (f)(2) of this provision, is a domestic end
product and that the offeror has considered compound outside the United States. The offeror shall list as for that do not qualify as domestic end products. The	nents of unknown origin to have been mined, produced, or manufactured breign end products those end products manufactured in the United States e terms "component," "domestic end product," "end product," "foreign end be of this solicitation entitled "Buy American Act—Supplies."
(2) Foreign End Products:	
Line Item No.	Country of Origin
(List as Necessary)	

- (3) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR Part 25.
- (g) (1) Buy American Act—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act Certificate. (Applies only if the clause at FAR 52.225-3, Buy American Act—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act, is included in this solicitation.)
- (i) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (g)(1)(ii) or (g)(1)(iii) of this provision, is a domestic end product and that the offeror has considered components of unknown origin to have been mined, produced, or manufactured outside the United States. The terms "component," "domestic end product," "end product," "foreign end product," and "United States" are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American Act—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act."
- (ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are end products of Australia, Canada, Chile, Mexico, or Singapore, or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American Act—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act":

End Products of Australia, Canada, Chile, Mexico, or Singapore or Israeli End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin

(List as Necessary)

(iii) The offeror shall list those supplies that are foreign end products (other than those listed in paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of this provision) as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American Act—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act." The offeror shall list as other foreign end products those end products manufactured in the United States that do not qualify as domestic end products.

Other Foreign End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin

(List as Necessary)

- (iv) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR Part 25.
- (2) Buy American Act—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate I (Jan 2004). If Alternate I to the clause at FAR 52.225-3 is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:
- (g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Canadian end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American Act—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act":

Canadian End Products:

Line Item No.			
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(List as Necessary)

(3) Buy American Act—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate II (Jan 2004). If Alternate II to the clause at FAR 52.225-3 is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:

(g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Canadian end products or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Buy American Act—Free Trade Agreements—Israeli Trade Act":

Canadian or Israeli End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin

(List as Necessary)

- (4) Trade Agreements Certificate. (Applies only if the clause at FAR 52.225-5, Trade Agreements, is included in this solicitation.)
- (i) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (g)(4)(ii) of this provision, is a U.S.-made or designated country end product, as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled "Trade Agreements."
- (ii) The offeror shall list as other end products those end products that are not U.S.-made or designated country end products.

Other End Products:

Line Item No.	Country of Origin			

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- (2) Certification. [If the Contracting Officer has identified end products and countries of origin in paragraph (j)(1) of this provision, then the offeror must certify to either (j)(2)(i) or (j)(2)(ii) by checking the appropriate block.]
- (i) The offeror will not supply any end product listed in paragraph (j)(1) of this provision that was mined, produced, or manufactured in the corresponding country as listed for that product.
- [ii) The offeror may supply an end product listed in paragraph (j)(1) of this provision that was mined, produced, or manufactured in the corresponding country as listed for that product. The offeror certifies that it has made a good faith effort to determine whether forced or indentured child labor was used to mine, produce, or manufacture any such end product furnished under this contract. On the basis of those efforts, the offeror certifies that it is not aware of any such use of child labor.
- (j) (1) Annual Representations and Certifications. Any changes provided by the offeror in paragraph (j) of this provision do not automatically change the representations and certifications posted on the Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA) website.
- (2) The offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically via the ORCA website at http://orca.bpn.gov. After reviewing the ORCA database information, the offeror verifies by submission of this offer that the representations and certifications currently posted electronically at FAR 52.212-3, Offeror Representations and Certifications—Commercial Items, have been entered or updated in the last 12 months, are current, accurate, complete, and applicable to this solicitation (including the business size standard applicable to the NAICS code referenced for this solicitation), as of the date of this offer and are incorporated in this offer by reference (see FAR 4.1201), except for paragraphs *_____*.

[Offeror to identify the applicable paragraphs at (b) through (i) of this provision that the offeror has completed for the purposes of this solicitation only, if any.

These amended representation(s) and/or certifications(s) are also incorporated in this offer and are current, accurate, and complete as of the date of this offer.

Any changes provided by the offeror are applicable to this solicitation only, and do not result in an update to the representations and certifications posted on ORCA.]

52.214-34 SUBMISSION OF OFFERS IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE (APR 1991)

Offers submitted in response to this solicitation shall be in the English language. Offers received in other than English shall be rejected.

52.214-35 SUBMISSION OF OFFERS IN U.S. CURRENCY (APR 1991)

Offers submitted in response to this solicitation shall be in terms of U.S. dollars. Offers received in other than U.S. dollars shall be rejected.

52.216-1 TYPE OF CONTRACT (APR 1984)

The Government contemplates award of an indefinite delivery, indefinite quantity, with guaranteed minimum, multiple award schedule contract resulting from this solicitation.

52.222-24 PREAWARD ON-SITE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY COMPLIANCE REVIEW (FEB 1999)

If a contract in the amount of \$10 million or more will result from this solicitation, the prospective Contractor and its known first-tier subcontractors with anticipated subcontracts of \$10 million or more shall be subject to a preaward compliance evaluation by the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs (OFCCP), unless, within the preceding 24 months, OFCCP has conducted an evaluation and found the prospective Contractor and subcontractors to be in compliance with Executive Order 11246.

52.233-2 SERVICE OF PROTEST (AUG 1996)

(a) Protests, as defined in section 33.101 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation, that are filed directly with an agency, and copies of any protests that are filed with the General Accounting Office (GAO), shall be served on the Contracting Officer (addressed as follows) by obtaining written and dated acknowledgment of receipt from:

General Services Administration/FSS/3FN 1901 S. Bell Street, Arlington, VA 20406-0003 Attn: Arthur Hackney

(b) The copy of any protest shall be received in the office designated above within one day of filing a protest with the GAO.

52.237-1 SITE VISIT (APR 1984)

Offerors or quoters are urged and expected to inspect the site where services are to be performed and to satisfy themselves regarding all general and local conditions that may affect the cost of contract performance, to the extent that the information is reasonably obtainable. In no event shall failure to inspect the site constitute grounds for a claim after contract award.

52.237-2 PROTECTION OF GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS, EQUIPMENT, AND VEGETATION (APR 1984)

The Contractor shall use reasonable care to avoid damaging existing buildings, equipment, and vegetation on the Government installation. If the Contractor's failure to use reasonable care causes damage to any of this property, the Contractor shall replace or repair the damage at no expense to the Government as the Contracting Officer directs. If the Contractor fails or refuses to make such repair or replacement, the Contractor shall be liable for the cost, which may be deducted from the contract price.

552.212-70 PREPARATION OF OFFER (MULTIPLE AWARD SCHEDULE) (AUG 1997)

(a) Definitions. Concession, as used in this solicitation, means a benefit, enhancement or privilege (other than a discount), which either reduces the overall cost of a customer's acquisition or encourages a customer to consummate a purchase. Concessions include, but are not limited to freight allowance, extended warranty, extended price guarantees, free installation and bonus goods.

Discount, as used in this solicitation, means a reduction to catalog prices (published or unpublished). Discounts include, but are not limited to, rebates, quantity discounts, purchase option credits, and any other terms or conditions other than concessions) which reduce the amount of money a customer ultimately pays for goods or services ordered or received. Any net price lower than the list price is considered a "discount" by the percentage difference from the list price to the net price.

- (b) For each Special Item Number (SIN) included in an offer, the Offeror shall provide the information outlined in paragraph (c). Offerors may provide a single response covering more than one SIN, if the information disclosed is the same for all products under each SIN. If discounts and concessions vary by model or product line, offerors shall ensure that information is clearly annotated as to item or items referenced.
- (c) Provide information described below for each SIN:
- (1) Two copies of the offeror's current published (dated or otherwise identified) commercial descriptive catalogs and/or price list(s) from which discounts are offered. If special catalogs or price lists are printed for the purpose of this offer, such descriptive catalogs or price lists shall include a statement indicating the special catalog or price list represent a verbatim extract from the Offeror's commercial catalog and/or price list and identify the descriptive catalog and/or price list from which the information has been extracted.
- (2) Next to each offered item in the commercial catalog and/or price list, the Offeror shall write the special item number (SIN) under which the item is being offered. Unless a special catalog or price list is submitted, all other items shall be marked "excluded," lined out, and initialed by the offeror.
- (3) The discount(s) offered under this solicitation. The description of discounts offered shall include all discounts, such as prompt payment discounts, quantity/dollar volume discounts (indicate whether models/products can be combined within the SIN or whether SINs can be combined to earn discounts), blanket purchase agreement discounts, or purchase option credits. If the terms of sale appearing in the commercial catalogs or price list on which an offer is based are in conflict with the terms of this solicitation, the latter shall govern.

- (4) A description of concessions offered under this solicitation which are not granted to other customers. Such concessions may include, but are not limited to, an extended warranty, a return/exchange goods policy, or enhanced or additional services.
- (5) If the Offeror is a dealer/reseller or the Offeror will use dealers to perform any aspect of contract awarded under this solicitation, describe the functions, if any, that the dealer/reseller will perform.

552.217-71 NOTICE REGARDING OPTION(S) (NOV 1992)

The General Services Administration (GSA) has included an option to extend the term of the contract in order to demonstrate the value it places on quality performance by providing a mechanism for continuing a contractual relationship with a successful offeror that performs at a level which meets or exceeds GSA's quality performance expectations as communicated to the Contractor, in writing, by the Contracting Officer or designated representative. When deciding whether to exercise the option, the Contracting Officer will consider the quality of the Contractor's past performance under this contract in accordance with 48 CFR 517.207.

552.219-72 PREPARATION, SUBMISSION, AND NEGOTIATION OF SUBCONTRACTING PLANS (SEP 1999)

- (a) An offeror, other than a small business concern, submitting an offer that exceeds \$500,000 (\$1,000,000 for construction) shall submit a subcontracting plan with its initial offer. The subcontracting plan will be negotiated concurrently with price and any required technical and management proposals, unless the offeror submits a previously-approved commercial products plan.
- (b) Maximum practicable utilization of small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, and women-owned small business concerns as subcontractors is a matter of national interest with both social and economic benefits. The General Services Administration (GSA) expects that an offeror's subcontracting plan will reflect a commitment to assuring that small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, and women-owned small business concerns are provided the maximum practicable opportunity, consistent with efficient contract performance, to participate as subcontractors in the performance of the resulting contract. An offeror submitting a commercial products plan can reflect this commitment through subcontracting opportunities it provides that relate to the offeror's production generally; i.e., for both its commercial and Government business.
- (c) GSA believes that this potential contract provides significant opportunities for the use of small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, and women-owned small business concerns as subcontractors. Consequently, in addressing the eleven elements described at FAR 52.219-9(d) of the clause in this contract entitled Small Business Subcontracting Plan, the offeror shall:
- (1) Demonstrate that its subcontracting plan represents a creative and innovative program for involving small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, and women-owned small business concerns in performing the contract.
- (2) Include a description of the offeror's subcontracting strategies used in any previous contracts, significant achievements, and how this plan will build upon those earlier achievements.
- (3) Demonstrate through its plan that it understands the small business subcontracting program's objectives and GSA's expectations, and it is committed to taking those actions necessary to meet these goals or objectives.
- (d) In determining the acceptability of any subcontracting plan, the Contracting Officer will take each of the following actions:
- (1) Review the plan to verify that the offeror demonstrates an understanding of the small business subcontracting program's objectives and GSA's expectations with respect to the program and has included all the information, goals, and assurances required by FAR 52.219-9.
 - (2) Consider previous goals and achievements of contractors in the same industry.
- (3) Consider information and potential sources obtained from agencies administering national and local preference programs and other advocacy groups in evaluating whether the goals stated in the plan adequately reflect the anticipated potential for subcontracting to small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, and women-owned small business concerns.
- (4) Review the offeror's description of its strategies, historical performance and significant achievements in placing subcontracts for the same or similar products or services with small, HUBZone small, small disadvantaged, and women-owned small business concerns. The offeror's description can apply to commercial as well as previous Government contracts.
- (e) Failure to submit an acceptable subcontracting plan and/or correct deficiencies in a plan within the time specified by the Contracting Officer shall make the offeror ineligible for award.

552.233-70 PROTESTS FILED DIRECTLY WITH THE GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (MAR 2000)

- (a) The following definitions apply in this provision:
- "Agency Protest Official for GSA" means the official in the Office of Acquisition Policy designated to review and decide procurement protests filed with GSA.
- "Deciding official" means the person chosen by the protester to decide the agency protest. The deciding official may be either the Contracting Officer or the Agency Protest Official.
- (b) The filing time frames in FAR 33.103(e) apply. An agency protest is filed when the protest complaint is received at the location the solicitation designates for serving protests. GSA's hours of operation are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Protests delivered after 4:30 p.m. will be considered received and filed the following business day.
- (c) A protest filed directly with the General Services Administration (GSA) must:
 - (1) Indicate that it is a protest to the agency.

- (2) Be filed with the Contracting Officer.
- (3) State whether the protester chooses to have the Contracting Officer or the Agency Protest Official for GSA decide the protest. If the protest is silent on this matter, the Contracting Officer will decide the protest.
- (4) Indicate whether the protester prefers to make an oral presentation, a written presentation, or an oral presentation confirmed in writing, of arguments in support of the protest to the deciding official.
 - (5) Include the information required by FAR 33.103(d)(2):
 - (i) Name, address, fax number, and telephone number of the protester.
 - (ii) Solicitation or contract number.
- (iii) Detailed statement of the legal and factual grounds for the protest, to include a description of resulting prejudice to the protester.
 - (iv) Copies of relevant documents.
 - (v) Request for a ruling by the agency.
 - (vi) Statement as to the form of relief requested.
 - (vii) All information establishing that the protester is an interested party for the purpose of filing a protest.
 - (viii) All information establishing the timeliness of the protest (see paragraph (b) of this provision).
- (d) An interested party filing a protest with GSA has the choice of requesting either that the Contracting Officer or the Agency Protest Official for GSA decide the protest.
- (e) The decision by the Agency Protest Official for GSA is an alternative to a decision by the Contracting Officer. The Agency Protest Official for GSA will not consider appeals from the Contracting Officer's decision on an agency protest.
- (f) The deciding official must conduct a scheduling conference with the protester within three (3) days after the protest is filed. The scheduling conference will establish deadlines for oral or written arguments in support of the agency protest and for agency officials to present information in response to the protest issues. The deciding official may hear oral arguments in support of the agency protest at the same time as the scheduling conference, depending on availability of the necessary parties.
- (g) Oral conferences may take place either by telephone or in person. Other parties (e.g., representatives of the program office) may attend at the discretion of the deciding official.
- (h) The following procedures apply to information submitted in support of or in response to an agency protest:
- (1) The protester and the agency have only one opportunity to support or explain the substance of the protest (either orally, in writing, or orally confirmed in writing).
 - (2) GSA procedures do not provide for any discovery.
- (3) The deciding official has discretion to request additional information from either the agency or the protester. However, the deciding official will normally decide protests on the basis of information provided by the protester and the agency.
- (4) Except as provided in paragraph (5)(ii) below, the parties are encouraged, but not required, to exchange information submitted to the Agency Protest Official for GSA.
- (5) If the agency makes a written response to the protest, the following filling requirements apply unless the deciding official approves other arrangements:
- (i) The agency must file its response to the protest with the deciding official within five (5) days after the filing of the protest.
- (ii) The agency must also provide the protester with a copy of the response on the same day it files the response with the deciding official. If the agency believes it needs to redact or withhold any information in the response from the protester, it must obtain the approval of the deciding official.
- (6) Any additional information that either party wants to submit in writing after one-time oral arguments in support of the agency protest, must be received by the deciding official within two (2) days after the date of the oral arguments.
- (i) The deciding official will resolve the protest through informal presentations or meetings to the maximum extent practicable.
- (j) An interested party may represent itself or be represented by legal counsel. GSA will not reimburse the party for any legal fees related to the agency protest.
- (k) GSA will stay award or suspend contract performance in accordance with FAR 33.103(f). The stay or suspension, unless over-ridden, remains in effect until the protest is decided, dismissed, or withdrawn.
- (I) The deciding official will make a best effort to issue a decision on the protest within twenty-eight (28) days after the filing date. The decision may be oral or written. If the decision is communicated orally to the protester, the deciding official will confirm in writing within three (3) days after the decision.
- (m) GSA may dismiss or stay proceedings on an agency protest if a protest on the same or similar basis is filed with a protest forum outside of GSA.

A-FSS-2-F WORLDWIDE FEDERAL SUPPLY SCHEDULE CONTRACT FOR: (MAY 2000)

(a) FSC GROUP 71, PART II

COMMODITY: HOUSEHOLD AND QUARTERS FURNITURE FSC CLASS(ES)/PRODUCT CODE(S): 6530, 7105, 7110, 7125, 7195, 7210, 7220, 7230, 7240, and 7290

The contract period for this standing solicitation will commence on the DATE OF AWARD and end five years from that date (unless contract is canceled/terminated or extended).

A-FSS-11 CONSIDERATION OF OFFERS UNDER STANDING SOLICITATION (DEC 2000)

- (a) This solicitation is a standing solicitation from which the Government contemplates award of contracts for supplies/services listed in the Schedule of Items. This solicitation will remain in effect unless replaced by an updated solicitation.
- (b) There is no closing date for receipt of offers; therefore, offers may be submitted for consideration at any time.
- (c) An offer may be rejected if an offeror fails to meet timeframes established by the Contracting Officer either to address deficiencies in the offer or to submit a final proposal revision. A resubmission(s) is permitted; however, it may be rejected immediately if it is still deficient in the area(s) that caused its initial rejection.
- (d) Contracts awarded under this solicitation will be in effect for 5 years from the date of award, unless further extended, pursuant to clause I-FSS-164, Option to Extend the Term of the Contract (Evergreen), canceled pursuant to the Cancellation clause, or terminated pursuant to the termination provisions of the contract.
- (e) Current contractors may submit a new offer as early as 9 months prior to the expiration of the existing contract.

A-FSS-12-C PERIOD FOR ACCEPTANCE OF OFFERS (NOV 1997)

Paragraph (c) of the provision 52.212-1, Instructions to Offerors—Commercial Items, is revised to read as follows: The offeror agrees to hold the prices in its offer firm for 120 calendar days from the date of the offer, within which offer may be accepted.

A-FSS-31 NOTICE OF TOTAL SMALL BUSINESS SET-ASIDE (OCT 1988)

The clause entitled "Notice of Total Small Business Set-Aside" applies to the following items in this solicitation: SINs 71-202 and 71-203

A-FSS-3FN-35 EXCEPTIONS TO CLAUSE 52.225-5, TRADE AGREEMENTS (JUNE 2000)

Clause 52.225-5, Trade Agreements, is applicable to all items in this solicitation EXCEPT the following: Items set-aside for small business must be made in the USA. The set-aside items are SIN's 71-202 and 71-203. (See Item Listing for descriptions of the items.)

G-FSS-920 ORDERING PROCEDURES FOR SERVICES (REQUIRING A STATEMENT OF WORK) (MAR 2003)

FAR 8.402 contemplates that GSA may occasionally find it necessary to establish special ordering procedures for individual Federal Supply Schedules or for some Special Item Numbers (SINs) within a Schedule. GSA has established special ordering procedures for services that require a Statement of Work. These special ordering procedures take precedence over the procedures in FAR 8.404 (b)(2) through (b)(3).

When ordering services over \$100,000, Department of Defense (DOD) ordering offices and non-DOD agencies placing orders on behalf of DOD must follow the policies and procedures in the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) 208.404-70 – Additional ordering procedures for services. When DFARS 208.404-70 is applicable and there is a conflict between the ordering procedures contained in this clause and the additional ordering procedures for services in DFARS 208.404-70, the DFARS procedures take precedence.

GSA has determined that the prices for services contained in the contractor's price list applicable to this Schedule are fair and reasonable. However, the ordering office using this contract is responsible for considering the level of effort and mix of labor proposed to perform a specific task being ordered and for making a determination that the total firm-fixed price or ceiling price is fair and reasonable.

- (a) When ordering services, ordering offices shall—
 - (1) Prepare a Request (Request for Quote or other communication tool):
- (i) A statement of work (a performance-based statement of work is preferred) that outlines, at a minimum, the work to be performed, location of work, period of performance, deliverable schedule, applicable standards, acceptance criteria, and any special requirements (i.e., security clearances, travel, special knowledge, etc.) should be prepared.
- (ii) The request should include the statement of work and request the contractors to submit either a firm-fixed price or a ceiling price to provide the services outlined in the statement of work. A firm-fixed price order shall be requested, unless the ordering office makes a determination that it is not possible at the time of placing the order to estimate accurately the extent or duration of the work or to anticipate cost with any reasonable degree of confidence. When such a determination is made, a labor hour or time-and-materials quote may be requested. The firm-fixed price shall be based on the prices in the schedule contract and shall consider the mix of labor categories and level of effort required to perform the services described in the statement of work. The firm-fixed price of the order should also include any travel costs or other direct charges related to performance of the services ordered, unless the order provides for reimbursement of travel costs at the rates provided in the Federal Travel or Joint Travel Regulations. A ceiling price must be established for labor-hour and time-and-materials orders.
- (iii) The request may ask the contractors, if necessary or appropriate, to submit a project plan for performing the task, and information on the contractor's experience and/or past performance performing similar tasks.

- (iv) The request shall notify the contractors what basis will be used for selecting the contractor to receive the order. The notice shall include the basis for determining whether the contractors are technically qualified and provide an explanation regarding the intended use of any experience and/or past performance information in determining technical qualification of responses.
 - (2) Transmit the Request to Contractors:

Based upon an initial evaluation of catalogs and price lists, the ordering office should identify the contractors that appear to offer the best value (considering the scope of services offered, pricing and other factors such as contractors' locations, as appropriate) and transmit the request as follows:

- (i) The request shall be provided to at least three (3) contractors if the proposed order is estimated to exceed the micro-purchase threshold, but not exceed the maximum order threshold.
- (ii) For proposed orders exceeding the maximum order threshold, the request shall be provided to an appropriate number of additional contractors that offer services that will meet the agency's needs.
- (iii) In addition, the request shall be provided to any contractor who specifically requests a copy of the request for the proposed order.
- (iv) Ordering offices should strive to minimize the contractors' costs associated with responding to requests for quotes for specific orders. Requests should be tailored to the minimum level necessary for adequate evaluation and selection for order placement. Oral presentations should be considered, when possible.
 - (3) Evaluate Responses and Select the Contractor to Receive the Order:

After responses have been evaluated against the factors identified in the request, the order should be placed with the schedule contractor that represents the best value. (See FAR 8.404)

- (b) The establishment of Federal Supply Schedule Blanket Purchase Agreements (BPAs) for recurring services is permitted when the procedures outlined herein are followed. All BPAs for services must define the services that may be ordered under the BPA, along with delivery or performance time frames, billing procedures, etc. The potential volume of orders under BPAs, regardless of the size of individual orders, may offer the ordering office the opportunity to secure volume discounts. When establishing BPAs, ordering offices shall—
- (1) Inform contractors in the request (based on the agency's requirement) if a single BPA or multiple BPAs will be established, and indicate the basis that will be used for selecting the contractors to be awarded the BPAs.
- (i) SINGLE BPA: Generally, a single BPA should be established when the ordering office can define the tasks to be ordered under the BPA and establish a firm-fixed price or ceiling price for individual tasks or services to be ordered. When this occurs, authorized users may place the order directly under the established BPA when the need for service arises. The schedule contractor that represents the best value should be awarded the BPA. (See FAR 8.404)
- (ii) MULTIPLE BPAs: When the ordering office determines multiple BPAs are needed to meet its requirements, the ordering office should determine which contractors can meet any technical qualifications before establishing the BPAs. When establishing multiple BPAs, the procedures in (a)(2) above must be followed. The procedures at (a)(2) do not apply to orders issued under multiple BPAs. Authorized users must transmit the request for quote for an order to all BPA holders and then place the order with the BPA holder that represents the best value.
- (2) Review BPAs Periodically: Such reviews shall be conducted at least annually. The purpose of the review is to determine whether the BPA still represents the best value. (See FAR 8.404)
- (c) The ordering office should give preference to small business concerns when two or more contractors can provide the services at the same firm-fixed price or ceiling price.
- (d) When the ordering office's requirement involves both products as well as executive, administrative and/or professional, services, the ordering office should total the prices for the products and the firm-fixed price for the services and select the contractor that represents the best value. (See FAR 8.404)
- (e) The ordering office, at a minimum, should document orders by identifying the contractor from which the services were purchased, the services purchased, and the amount paid. If other than a firm-fixed price order is placed, such documentation should include the basis for the determination to use a labor-hour or time-and-materials order. For agency requirements in excess of the micro-purchase threshold, the order file should document the evaluation of Schedule contractors' quotes that formed the basis for the selection of the contractor that received the order and the rationale for any trade-offs made in making the selection.

K-FSS-1 AUTHORIZED NEGOTIATORS (MAR 1998)

The offeror	shall, in t	he spaces	provided b	elow, fill in	the names	of all pe	ersons	authorized	to negot	iate with	the Go	vernm	ent in
connection	with this r	equest for	proposals	or quotation	s. (List the	e names,	titles,	telephone	numbers	and elec	ctronic n	nail ad	ldress
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L-FSS-59 AWARD (APR 1984)

Until a formal notice of award is issued, no communication by the Government, whether written or oral, shall be interpreted as a promise that an award will be made.

L-FSS-101 FINAL PROPOSAL REVISION (JUN 2002) (DEVIATION)

- (a) Upon the conclusion of discussions the Contracting Officer will request a final proposal revision. Oral requests will be confirmed in writing.
- (b) The request will include--
 - (1) Notice that discussions are concluded:
 - (2) Notice that this is the opportunity to submit a final proposal revision;
 - (3) The specified cutoff date and time:
- (4) A statement that any modification proposed as a result of the final proposal revision must be received by the date and time specified and will be subject to the Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawals of Proposals provision of this solicitation.
- (c) The Contracting Officer will not reopen discussions after receipt of final proposal revisions unless it is clearly in the interests of the Government to do so. If discussions are reopened, the Contracting Officer will issue an additional request for final proposal revision.

L-FSS-400 INTRODUCTION OF NEW SERVICES/PRODUCTS (INSP) (NOV 2000)

(a) Definition.

Introduction of New Services/Products Special Item Number (INSP/SIN) means a new or improved service or product—within the scope of the Federal Supply Schedule, but not currently available under any Federal Supply Service contract—that provides a new service, function, task, or attribute that may provide a more economical or efficient means for Federal agencies to accomplish their mission. It may significantly improve an existing service or product. It may be a service or product existing in the commercial market, but not yet introduced to the Federal Government.

- (b) Offerors are encouraged to introduce new services or products via the Introduction of New Services/Products Special Item Number (INSP/SIN). A new or improved service or product can be offered at anytime. Offerors are requested to clearly identify the INSP/SIN item in the offer.
- (c) The Contracting Officer will evaluate and process the INSP/SIN offer. A technical review may be performed. Offerors may be required to demonstrate that the service or product can provide a more economical or efficient means for Federal agencies to accomplish their mission. The Contracting Officer has the sole discretion to determine whether a product or service will be accepted as an INSP/SIN item. The INSP/SIN provides temporary placement until the new service or product can be formally categorized.
- (d) If the Contractor has an existing Multiple Award Schedule contract, the Government may, at the sole discretion of the Contracting Officer, modify the existing contract to include the INSP/SIN item in accordance with 552.243-72, Modifications (Multiple Award Schedule).

552.212-73 EVALUATION—COMMERCIAL ITEMS (MULTIPLE AWARD SCHEDULE) (AUG 1997)

- (a) The Government may make multiple awards for the supplies or services offered in response to this solicitation that meet the definition of a "commercial item" in FAR 52.202-1. Awards may be made to those responsible offerors that offer reasonable pricing, conforming to the solicitation, and will be most advantageous to the Government, taking into consideration the multiplicity and complexity of items of various manufacturers and the differences in performance required to accomplish or produce required end results, production and distribution facilities, price, compliance with delivery requirements, and other pertinent factors. By providing a selection of comparable supplies or services, ordering activities are afforded the opportunity to fulfill their requirements with the item(s) that constitute the best value and that meet their needs at the lowest overall cost.
- (b) A written notice of award or acceptance of an offer, mailed or otherwise furnished to the offeror within the time for acceptance specified in the offer, shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party. Before the offer's specified expiration time, the Government may accept an offer (or part of an offer), whether or not there are negotiations after its receipt, unless a written notice of withdrawal is received before award.

The results of the Dun and Bradstreet Supplier Performance Review will be considered, along with other information available to the CO in determining the past performance rating of the offeror."